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HOUSE CELEBRATES 80TH YEAR OF ADVANCING CROSS-CULTURAL

# **SPECIAL 80TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION**

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**RESPECT, FRIENDSHIP, PEACE** 

Candlelight Sunday Suppers to foster intercultural friendships attract residents from 60+ countries and are a tradition that dates to the House's opening in 1930.

n August 18, 1930, the doors of International House Berkelev swung open to hundreds of male and female UC Berkeley students representing dozens of different countries. Despite hundreds of protesters who had objected to racial integration at I-House, these young people established the first generation of I-House residents charged with fostering cross-cultural respect, friendships and leadership skills for a world of greater understanding and peace. Their presence desegregated Piedmont Avenue's fraternity and sorority row and the East Bay hills of the San Francisco Bay Area.

Since 1930, approximately 80,000 residents have gone on to advance the same purpose under the same domed rooftop. In the process, the experiences and educations from over 120 countries have been informed by this unique "living and learning community." A place from which Nobel Laureates, diplomats, and global leaders in every field have sprung, and which has been the origin of at least one thousand marriages (we've counted!) and millions of cross-cultural friendships.

This Special Anniversary Edition of the I-House Times has been shaped to inform alumni, residents and friends of our remarkable history and to capture the vital workings of our present. Articles throughout this issue document ongoing activities, community engagement, and a strategic plan to chart a future for I-House and keeps our mission vital for alumni and residents. In addition, photos, stories and quotes from alumni across many decades and from different cultures are pouring in about what makes the I-House experience unique. Contribute your own memories online (see box at right) and see some that we received on page 5.

Please join us by participating in person or online and take your place in the global community of International House Berkeley - dedicated to a world of greater peace and understanding.



Executive Director Martin Brennan with residents and alumni cut an 80th Anniversary Birthday Cake at the Lodestar Tea, one of the 2010-11 gatherings designed to honor the past and secure input for the future of I-House .

# **PROFESSOR DIAMOND SPEAKS AT 80TH ANNIVERSARY TEA**

lumni, residents, and friends of I-House gathered for Sunday afternoon tea to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of I-House - complete with birthday cake. Executive Director Martin Brennan recalled the pioneering accomplishments of the House, which was the first coeducational residence facility west of the Mississippi where students of all ethnicities lived under one roof.

I-House alumna and Cal Professor Marian Cleeves Diamond was the featured speaker at the September 26th event. Her topic, I-House Years: A Life Enriched, weaved together vignettes about I-House friends with insights into her distinguished career as an academic researcher in the area of brain development. A rapt audience was treated to stories that demonstrated her passion for encouraging us all to engage our grey matter, "Use it or lose it!"

Professor Diamond applied her research on the impact of an enriched environment on brain development at a Cambodian orphanage by providing opportunities for reading, writing, using computers, and learning English. She still gets e-mails from the appreciative children including four who are now in college.

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# **I-HOUSE MEMORIES?**

To celebrate the 80th Anniversary of I-House we are collecting reminiscences (films, poems, stories, songs and photos) for "80 Perspectives on 80 Years." See page 5 for a sampling. Submit your memories at *ihouse.berkeley.edu/80* or to *ihalumni@berkeley.edu*.

# I-HOUSE INNOVATES WITH NAVIGATING CULTURES COURSE AT CAL

nternational House Executive Director Martin Brennan, Executive Director L Emeritus Joe Lurie, Program Director Liliane Koziol, and alumna Angelika Blendstrup are

"I'm honored to be supporting this effort," says Richard Roeder, the Peter and Candy Robertson Culture Bridge Scholar and a grad student in law.Robert receives a room and board stipend to help provide the faculty team with an unbiased perspective on what curriculum and approaches succeed most effectively, and to promote resident participation in four leadership workshops this fall and winter:

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teaching a four-unit Navigating Cultures class for UC Berkeley this fall. The class, which fulfills a breadth requirement for international studies, advances a new direction that may prove pivotal to the future of I-House by offering formalized trainings to expand intercultural awareness, expertise, and practical navigation tools for students at I-House and across campus.

Demand for the seminar far exceeded capacity. The 38 graduate and undergraduate students represent more than 20 ethnicities and nationalities and reflect a broad range of academic disciplines including engineering, math, law, linguistics, and business. The students appreciate lectures, role playing, simulations, and field trips designed to foster reflection on their own cultural origins and the ways in which one's own culturally-informed perspectives shape observations and interactions with others across cultural divides.

Assignments include case studies involving countries with diverse orientations, mindsets, and world views. Students identify underlying theoretical constructs behind negotiation failures in the case studies and propose appropriate crosscultural solutions. The class also expands understanding for many travel-savvy Berkeley students by placing their experiences in a theoretical framework that allows them to make sense of challenging cross-cultural situations they have encountered while learning about strategies for improved communication.



I-House Board member and alumna Yoshi Akiba invited students in the Navigating Cultures class to her home where culture and explore why cultural competency she introduced students to Ikebana, the Japanese art of flower arranging, a tea ceremony, and meditation.

- Rituals of Romance
- Believing You Are Right When You Are Not...Necessarily
- · Stereotypes, Prejudice, Assumptions
- Communication Across Cultures

The purpose of the leadership series is to define is important. Using cross-cultural experiential exercises, the goal is to develop a global mindset, providing participants with skills to adapt and

operate more effectively in any multicultural context.

The workshops incorporate feedback from the first Navigating Cultures course held in 2009 and integrates content based on student interest in an expanded scope that addresses leadership training more broadly above and beyond intercultural knowledge. Related workshops will also benefit UC Berkeley staff this year (see article page 3).

"The Navigating Cultures course and workshops address the need for enhanced intercultural skills that are so crucial for students in today's globalized work and social environments," says Program Director Dr. Liliane Koziol. "It benefits students at I-House and across campus which then has ripple effects in the local community, the students' home communities, and beyond."

# INTERNATIONAL HOUSE AT 80: MANY HAPPY RETURNS!



At lunch recently I sat with a group of new International House residents from several countries. I asked them about their initial impressions of living at I-House and quickly received an "awesome," a "wonderful," and a remark that struck me as particularly insightful and worth clarifying, "living here is liberating."

While I imagine "awesome" was not a word in common parlance 80 years ago, "liberating" is a response that could have been heard at any time during International House's rich and progressive history; albeit bearing a different import depending on the era. "It is remarkable to be able to sit down

anywhere," our resident continued, "and strike up a friendly conversation with anybody on virtually any topic."

This resonated with me because as we strive to bring forth a more tolerant and peaceful world, this explanation goes to the heart and soul of what the International House experience offers: diverse perspectives coming together to create new and better possibilities. As distinguished guest lecturer Professor Kaiping Peng observed during our *Navigating Cultures* course, truth emerges through the interchange of informed perspectives.

This fall I-House welcomed 570 students – each holding complex and evolving viewpoints – from 58 countries, almost 15% of whom receive partial or full scholarships to live at I-House. We are indeed thankful for the philanthropic contributions that afford so many deserving Cal students the opportunity to add their uniqueness to the I-House family.

As the world turns, it changes, and so we have to prepare ourselves to change the world. Looking back over our first 80-years, our history chronicles a House that fought for civil rights, opposed the internment of Japanese Americans, brought enemies together, enriched lives, and helped "impossible" friendships to develop. Looking forward, we are expanding the breadth and impact of our intercultural programs with workshops and a four-unit UC class called *Navigating Cultures* taught by Executive Director Emeritus Joe Lurie, Program Director Liliane Koziol, alumna Angelika Blendstrup and myself. The purpose of the class is to better equip students to be committed global citizens as they endeavor to shape tomorrow's world. You will see more information about our *Navigating Cultures* class on page 1.

I was recently asked to serve as Chargé d'Affaires or acting ambassador at the US Embassy in Luanda, Angola, for six weeks. During my last visit 14 years ago I was part of a team helping to negotiate the end of Angola's civil war. This time, rather than focus on the scourge of war, I had many opportunities to discuss I-House and our mission with people I met in an Angola now at peace. Some had heard of International House. Everyone expressed support: "Yes, this is what we need – if anything, we need more I-Houses." Our mission of building "cross-cultural understanding and respect, lifelong friendships, a more tolerant and peaceful world" is needed more than ever. This mission of peace is not outdated – it is timeless.

For all who have lived here, you remember the friends you met, the different perspectives you encountered, and the welcoming home you found. What may also come to mind is our magnificent building with architecture reflecting the Moorish influence on Spanish culture, the intricately painted ceilings, and the warmth of the Great Hall. These features nurture both a sense of grandeur as well as a sense of community and shared purpose. The I-House experience – long chats in the Dining Rooms and café, beautiful sunsets on the patio, Sunday Suppers, hours in our library, and lasting friendships – is complemented by living in a vibrant architectural space, which frames the unfolding human tapestry of its inhabitants. You can read about the meaningful steps we are taking to steward our historic building on page 9, in "Money Well Spent."

At one reunion, two lifelong friends from mutually hostile cultures told me how they had literally feared for their safety when they learned that they would be roommates. They went on to serve as best man at each other's weddings, and remain close friends today. Many of our 60,000 alumni – including poets, politicians, Nobel Prize Laureates, ambassadors, musicians, scientists, indeed folk from each and every professional sphere – have been touched by their stay under the dome. And, to be sure, many have found lasting friendships here and even lasting love.

# GRANT SUPPORTS NEW I-HOUSE WEBSITE TO DEBUT IN 2011

The San Francisco based Taproot Foundation – the world's largest foundation that connects experienced professionals who volunteer to non-profits with pro-bono consulting needs – has provided International House with a six-month, six-person team grant for Advanced Website Design. This is the second grant awarded to I-House after a 2009 Pre-Strategic Planning Grant that successfully identified and researched key issues to the House in its operations and future purpose. From September 2010 to March 2011, a six-person team including an account manager, web designer, programmer, writer, and photographer will collaborate with a small group of I-House staff in creating new architecture and language for the I-House web presence.

Laurie Ferris, I-House webmaster says, "This is an amazing opportunity to receive external guidance and support to tackle an immense project. Thanks to increased human resources through this volunteer commitment, I'm certain our website will be able to accommodate more multi-media offerings and better integration of social media as we serve prospective residents, and alumni, and friends worldwide." With the architecture and fifteen "template" pages due by March 2011, the completely revised site should be in place before July 1, 2011. Suggestions for the team? Email: *lferris@berkeley.edu*.

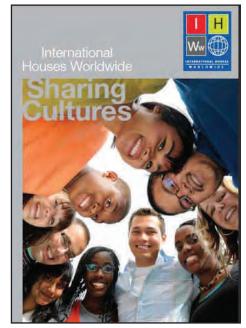


Taproot volunteers proudly show their I-House T-shirts. From left, standing: Jon Lavietes, ML Haynes, Kinnari Desai, and Venkat Narayan. Seated: Peter Panayotopoulos and Vaughan Acton

# LEADERS OF I-HOUSES WORLDWIDE GATHER, EXCHANGE BEST PRACTICES

Eleven directors of International Houses from three continents gathered in June 2010 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to exchange updates on their different operations – all of which are united by a shared purpose. International Houses share a common purpose as multi-cultural residential programs dedicated to cross-cultural understanding. Meetings have been held roughly every eighteen months among directors of affiliated I-Houses in order to exchange ideas and encourage replication of best practices across the group.

The five-day gathering featured sessions on operational and facility excellence, resident services and programs, alumni engagement and fundraising, using social media, and future trends. The next meeting is tentatively set for December 2011 in Melbourne, Australia.



Eighty years ago the mere idea of students from different races and both genders living under one roof provoked protests in Berkeley. The reality of a community actually living cross-cultural understanding in mutual respect challenged the beliefs and values of many in Berkeley and beyond. We were destined to make history because we were created to live a different vision of shared humanity.

At our October 10 Sunday Supper, two remarkable residents told a packed auditorium about the Davis Peace Projects they conceived and implemented in the Philippines and in Ethiopia. Their results were impressive but I was most struck by their invitation and challenge to all residents to take up their responsibility as global citizens by using their talents and the I-House mission to make a difference.

As we continue to weave our stories together, may I invite you to join me in wishing I-House many happy returns for its part in liberating our potential.

Martin Brennan Executive Director

Fifteen International Houses Worldwide are featured in a new *Sharing Cultures* brochure and a website at *ihousesworldwide.org* 



From left to right: Dean Preddy, Darwin, Australia; Dr. Jane Munro, Melbourne, Australia; Dr. Lindsey Oades, Wollongong, Australia; Peter Anwyl, London, England; Jessica Carroll, Sydney, Australia; Alison Hemsley, Wollongong, Australia; Donald Cuneo- New York, NY, U.S.A.; Tanya Steinberg (host), Philadelphia, PA, U.S.A.; Martin Brennan, Berkeley, CA, U.S.A.; Christy Gilhoy, San Diego, CA, U.S.A.; and Bill McCartney, Chicago, IL, U.S.A.

# UNDER THE DOME



# **RESIDENT ASSISTANTS PROVIDE A WARM WELCOME**



Resident Assistants from left to right: Katia Moles, Huda Ahmed, Aloysius Pawlicki, Sarah Roth, Courtney Hann, Jeremy Prickett, Mujeeb Khan, Danielle Silveira, Tia Madkins, Aryn Shelander, Ivan Tochitsky, Kyle Pressel, Natalie Marsh, Bartek Sudol, Omead Barari, Andy McMullen, Christina Nicoara, Hanif Houston, Sudeep Simkhada Not pictured: Cassandra Ling

Imagine yourself as a new resident arriving bleary-eyed in Berkeley after a twelve-hour flight or in need of advice about how to talk to your roommate about his habit of listening to Lady Gaga until 2 am. In these situations, and countless others, one of the Resident Assistants (RAs) pictured above would come to your rescue. Twenty RAs from the US and abroad monitor the safety and security and enforce policies and procedures during non-business hours. They receive extensive training to manage the many challenges they face, including first aid, CPR, crisis intervention, and conflict mediation, and provide professional referrals for residents experiencing personal crises. They also organize events several times each year to build community and promote a positive residential experience for I-House residents.

# **MUSIC CLUB CONCERT BENEFITS PAKISTAN'S FLOOD VICTIMS**



Music Club members rehearsing for the concert. From left (standing): Georgia Rajah, Pierre Darpeix, Sebastian Meinert, Matthias Mentink, T.J. Tsai, Sebastião Edson Macedo, Daniel Viragh, Kevin Gong, Lindsay Miller, Benjamin Pope and Leah Rubin. Seated: Afaf Azzouz, Karin Shankar and Satomi Nakao.

The I-House Music Club sponsored a benefit concert to aid flood victims in Pakistan where devastating rains affected more than 20 million people. The September 29 event featured talented I-House residents and alumni from India, Brazil, Taiwan, Egypt, Canada, Australia, U.S., Netherlands, France, Germany, Japan, and the U.K. The concert raised \$1,000, which was donated to Doctors Without Borders.

"It's fulfilling for us as artists to take part in this necessary and urgent cause through our art," says Sebastião Edson Macedo. Performer Daniel



I-House residents Karin Shankar (left) from India, a Ph.D. student in Performance Studies and Sebastião Edson Macedo, a Ph.D. student of Luzo-Brazilian Literature from Brazil, perform a Velha Infancia, a Brazilian love song.

Viragh, a Ph.D. student in history from Canada, says "I am grateful to International House for providing a welcoming space where residents can take an initiative to be helpful in truly global situations."

Khadeeja Shaikh, an alumna from Pakistan, inspired the fundraising concert and visited two of the flooded cities. She shared her photos from the trip on the I-House Facebook page. You can find (and join!) the I-House Berkeley Official Page at http://www.facebook.com/ BerkeleyIHouse.

# FRESH TOP CHEFS ADD NEW FLAVOR TO I-HOUSE DINING

After an Iron Chef style "cook-off" that challenged finalists to prepare a salad and entrée using a market basket of selected foods, two professional chefs were brought on board the Dining Services staff. Gary Beitch, Director of Dining Services and staff member for almost 35 years, says, "We want to take food at I-House to the next level by improving the food quality and appearance while increasing the efficiency of our kitchen operations. In their first month, our new chefs are already making some great changes. It is a real challenge to serve students who are accustomed



### **I-HOUSE WELCOMES** 2010-2011 RESIDENTS

For 80 years, International House has opened its doors to students and scholars from around the world. Some facts about this year's residents:

- 570 residents representing 58 countries
- Men outnumber women, 59% to 41%
- 56% are grad students or visiting scholars
- 44% are undergraduates
- 166 residents are from the USA
- China, France, Germany, Korea and Norway are each represented by 23 or more residents
- Countries that are new for this year (compared to last year): Albania, Cameroon, Croatia, Ghana, Guatemala, Honduras, Lithuania, Senegal, Zambia, and Nepal
- 50 International students receive financial aid
- 30 USA students receive financial aid
- 220 residents learned about the House and met fellow residents at fall orientation retreats
- 12 residents serve on the I-House Resident Council
- 27% of Cal freshman are from overseas or from other states compared to 11% in 2009
- 33% of Cal undergrads are eligible for Pell Grants, reflecting family incomes under \$45,000

## CAL IS TOPS FOR PH.D. PROGRAMS

UC Berkeley continues to have the largest number of highly ranked graduate programs in the U.S. according to a survey released by the National Research Council (NRC) on September 28. The survey placed programs within a range for each discipline. 48 of UC Berkeley's 52 ranked Ph.D. programs place within a range that includes the top 10. Harvard is in second place with 46 of its 52 programs, and UCLA is in third place with 40 of 59. The NRC survey is the first detailed survey since 1995.

### **BRIDGING CULTURES** WORKSHOPS

I-House was awarded a grant from the Berkeley Initiative for Leadership and Diversity (BILD) to provide intercultural training workshops for UC staff. "The goal is to promote inclusiveness in the workplace," says Breidi Truscott, project manager and I-House Events Coordinator. "Workshops will engage participants in self-reflection to examine their own 'cultural lens' and, through interactive exercises, explore how cultural differences can pose challenges when working in teams. Increasing self-awareness and building intercultural communication skills reduces conflict and enhances inclusion," adds Breidi. Sponsored by the division of Equity and Inclusion and hosted at I-House, four to six "Bridging Cultures in the Workplace" workshops are planned in 2010-11.

to home cooking from such diverse cultures."

"It's all about love," says chef Ray Nottie. "I tell our kitchen staff to cook like your mother will be eating what you prepare." Ray cooked at Google, Hewlett Packard, and Facebook and at Indian, soul food, and Greek restaurants. Raised in Vicksburg, Mississippi, on what he describes as "Creole soul farm food," Ray came to I-House "to pour out my cooking skills and make a name for I-House as a place for great food. Cleanliness, food safety, and organization are crucial. I love to walk around at dinner and have students tell me what they really like and changes they want to see.

Chef Susan Hunter says, "We'll be re-working recipes to offer more fresh, clean flavors by incorporating fresh herbs, seasonal produce, homemade stocks, whole grains, and sustainable products. Technique is a huge factor. For example, poaching is great for sweeter, more tender results. The staff and management team here have done a great job and we'll definitely keep serving the favorite dishes." Susan was raised on fresh, seasonal food on the coast of New England and worked for Bon Apetit Management Company at Mills College and at a division of Apple, Inc. She also ran her own catering business and served as Executive Chef at the UC Women's Faculty Club.

Chefs Susan Hunter, (left) and Raymond Nottie (right) are revamping I-House menus and recipes in partnership with Gary Beitch (center), Dining Services Director.

#### Dining Services Goes Green!

Cal's Greening Operations (GO!) Team brings new meaning to "trash talk" at I-House by talking with residents about separating their mealtime leftovers into compost and trash. This simple action is part of ongoing efforts to increase recycling and composting while reducing waste at I-House. "We are able to compost almost everything," says Production Food Services Manager Warren Clark. "Even cooking oil is recycled into biodiesel fuel."

Additional changes include smaller trays that discourage diners from taking more than they will eat with the added benefit of reducing the amount of hot water needed to clean trays. A study two years ago found that I-House was creating 30 tons of waste annually. Reducing waste decreases landfill, saves on expenses, and reduces our carbon footprint.

### <u>OSAKA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS</u> VISIT I-HOUSE



A group of 17 master degree students from Osaka University Graduate School of Engineering and from the Graduate School of Engineering Science visited International House on September 13, 2010. Professor Ryoichi Kuboi, Executive Director, and Ms. Akie Matsuyama, Project Coordinator of the Osaka University San Francisco Center, arranged a luncheon for the students to share experiences with residents and staff. Students enjoyed a tour of the House. The students were concluding four weeks of English language study at UC Davis. Professor Kuboi is exploring the possibility of a new student exchange program with International House.

# **ALUMNI NEWS**

### **REEVE GOULD HONORED AT ROTARY ANNIVERSARY**

I-House alumnus Reeve Gould (IH 1946-48) was honored at the 50th Anniversary gala celebration of the Piedmont-Montclair Rotary Club for his 50 years as a Rotarian and 70 years as a friend and supporter of I-House. Executive Director Martin Brennan was the keynote speaker for the event which was held at I-House on May 1, 2010, and featured entertainment by talented I-House residents.



Alumnus Reeve Gould (left) and Executive Director Martin Brennan

## **I-HOUSES WORLDWIDE WEBSITE**

We are pleased to announce a new website for International Houses Worldwide! The theme is Sharing Cultures and the content is derived from a new brochure created by I-House London. The website was built by Laurie Ferris, web and print designer for I-House Berkeley, and unveiled at the International House Worldwide Directors Conference in Philadelphia, PA in June (see article, page 2).

Check out the website and download the new brochure at: http://ihousesworldwide.org/.



## FRIENDS, FANS & FOLLOWERS **OF I-HOUSE BERKELEY**

Become a friend, fan or follower of I-House Berkeley on Facebook and Twitter to get the latest I-House news, and possibly win a t-shirt!

I-House alumni and residents are invited to join I-House@cal, the official online community of



# LETTER FROM: CHRISTIANE BARBARIN COOK (IH 1946-47)



Christiane Gilberte Barbarin Cook returned to I-House to celebrate her 90th birthday with friends and family saying, "It is proper that I celebrate my 90th birthday here, where it all started." Originally from France, she was working in Paris and with the encouragement of American colleagues, applied for scholarships and came to UC Berkeley. "In September 1946, I found myself at I-House with scores of students from all over the world.... I felt good at I-House right away, and felt even better after members

over the city to see if they would

be refused service. Whereas I was

sad to see racial prejudice in this enlightened community, it gave me great satisfaction to find that a few individuals could change the politics of a city; we had some establishments fined and some closed. After a few

weeks, no Berkeley bar or restaurant

would have dared to refuse service to a

"I know that I should have taken what

of the American Friends Service Committee and the American Civil Liberties Union asked if we could help test a new Berkeley ordinance prohibiting the city's drinking and eating establishments from refusing service to people who were not white. In a few days we had teams of residents with different skin color visiting bars and restaurants all



Christiane Barbarin (seated) with her I-House friends in 1947.

I had learned in Berkeley back to Paris. That year had certainly been healing after six years of war and occupation .... I wrote to my French friends that in

non-white customer!

I-House, at UC, and among the Berkeleyans with a social conscience, I had found my land.

"That year in I-House launched me into a lifelong crusade for civil rights.... My daughter and I fight for the same causes and she has passed on her ideals to her children. My I-House housemates must have passed on their principles to their children and I am sure that, in 2010, the ideals of the 1946-47 are still making ripples all around the world."

Christiane's entire letter is one of the "80 Perspectives on 80 Years" available online at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/80.

## LETTERS FROM....

Do you have a unique I-House story or do you know an I-House alum who is doing something notable or amazing? Send a message to the editor at johnsonb@berkeley.edu or send a letter to Editor, I-House Development Office.

# **PROFESSOR DIAMOND**

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Professor Diamond credits I-House for enriching her own life. When she first arrived in 1948, she immediately met three future friends, including Dick Diamond, her first husband and father of their four children. She recalled I-House friends by name saying, "I could go on and on and it's all stored up there [pointing to her brain]. Isn't that amazing?" When asked whether the very diversity and camaraderie for which I-House is renowned could be said to enrich the brains of its residents - past and present - the professor grinned back with a hearty, "Yes!"

Through her research in neuroanatomy, Prof. Diamond found that the cerebral cortex can be altered at any age by enriched or impoverished environments. An enriched cortex has greater learning capacity. Having analyzed Einstein's brain, she found that it had more glial cells to provide support and nutrition, particularly in the area that synthesizes information from other regions of the brain. She also noted the positive impact on the brain of diet, exercise, challenge, newness, and human love.

# **REUNIONS IN NEW YORK, BERKELEY & BARCELONA**

Thirty I-House alumni gathered in New York in April at an event hosted by Executive Director Martin Brennan and Alumni Relations Director Shanti Corrigan. Former Canadian Ambassador to Iran, Ken Taylor (IH 1957-59) and his wife Patricia (IH 1958-60) (right) were featured speakers, discussing Ken's pivotal role in freeing the Iran hostages in the 1970's and Patricia's medical career during their worldwide travels as well as long-standing Board service to



I-House New York. The couple received a limited edition 75th Anniversary poster by David Lance Goines (shown above) at an informal dinner in which about a dozen alumni participated. Spring 2011 reunions are planned again for New York as well as Washington D.C. For inquiries re: the reunions or posters contact ihalumni@berkeley.edu.



Tejash Unadkat and Jame-Ane Ervin organized a reunion for 1996-2002 alumni at I-House in August. 42 people attended events during the weekend including Coffee Hour with residents, meals at I-House, tours of campus and museums, bar hopping in Berkeley and a visit to San Francisco. Martin Brennan provided a welcome message on video for the reunion attendees as he was in Angola during this time. The group hopes to raise \$5,000, enough to dedicate a bench at I-House.



Fourteen people from six countries attended the "Califriends" Reunion in Barcelona in June 2010, the 4th reunion held by the Califriends group who met at I-House in Summer 2008. "The I-House atmosphere was back and gave us once more the feeling that Berkeley can be wherever we want it to be," organizer David Sulitzer (center) writes. Previous gatherings were held in Amsterdam, Madrid and Berlin. They are looking forward to planning a 5th reunion very soon somewhere in Europe!

# **ALUMNI ATTEND MIDDLE EAST FORUM**

I-House alumni were among the 51 participants who attended the week-long June Elderhostel program at International House. This year's Elderhostel Program (now renamed Road Scholar) will be The Berkeley Forum: From Persia to Iran with Prof. Maziar Behrooz, June 5-11, 2011. A fee of \$776 includes six night's accommodations, meals, and classes (all at I-House). For more information, visit http://www.roadscholar.org or call Road Scholar at 1-877-426-8056 for the summer catalog. David Gilliam in the Program Office will coordinate the program. Contact him at 510-642-9460 dgilliam@ berkeley.edu.

UC Berkeley. We welcome your participation on these and other social networks that celebrate I-House Berkeley.

Visit *ihouse.berkeley.edu* for links. See you on the Web!



You Tube

DO YOU FEED THE BEARS?

The "I Feed The Bears at I-House!" Facebook badge allows donors to share their Cal spirit on their Facebook profile after they make a gift to UC Berkeley. Get your own "I Feed The Bears at I-House!" donor badge and display it



proudly on Facebook by making a gift online to the Fund for I-House. To learn more or to make a gift, visit ihouse.berkeley.edu/giving.



Louise and John Rasmussen (left) with Marian Diamond at the 80th Anniversary Tea

In addition to Diamond's groundbreaking research, she is the recipient of numerous honors, including Cal's Outstanding Teaching Award and the Distinguished Teacher's Award, Cal's Alumna of the Year and the Benjamin Ide Wheeler Service Award, and the Distinguished Senior Woman Scholar in America awarded by the American Association of University Women. She was the first woman Associate Dean of the College of Letters and Science and served as Director of Lawrence Hall of Science from 1990-1996.



Seated from left: Gwen Hickman (IH 1968-69), Betty Goren (IH 1951), Margaret Melaney. Standing: Martin Brennan, Alden Pixley (IH 1954-55), Harold Kerber (IH 1946-47), Bonnie Wilson (IH 1953-54), Lester Nyborg, Marcelle Scholl (IH 1952), Katharine Diack (IH 1960-61), Constance Fraser (IH 1963-64), Andrew Harrell (IH 1971-74) and Jeanne Griffith (IH 1952-54)

# New Alumni Challenge is Renewed

UC Berkeley's first New Alumni Challenge was an unprecedented success! More than 4,500 recent grads contributed for a total of almost \$3 million, including the match provided by the UC Berkeley Foundation Board of Trustees. The new matching program provides a 1-to-1 match for donations from alumni who graduated with any degree in the last five years, multiplying the impact of gifts by recent alumni to I-House. Details of the new matching program will be at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/newalumni/.

# **80 PERSPECTIVES ON 80 YEARS**

Share your I-House perspective – a memorable encounter, a special friendship, or a personal reflection. Contributions in any format are welcome: a story, poem, video, photograph, or artistic creation. Below are a few examples of I-House memories and birthday wishes from alumni. To contribute your own perspective, use the form at *http://ihouse.berkeley. edu/80* or email *ihalumni@berkeley.edu*. Stories will be published as space allows on the website and in the I-House Times during our anniversary year. More information about 80th Anniversary events will be included in the spring I-House Times newsletter and on our website.

Jan Egeland (IH 1983), Former United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs



"Living in International House was like living in the United Nations without the bureaucracy. Every single day led to new friendships with engaging students and scholars from all over the world."

### Tomoye Takahashi (IH 1933-37)



"I-House meant a

lot to me. It was

my community, a

multi-cultural one

par excellence.

the type of

The world needs

environment that

I-House fosters."

Julianne Cartwright Traylor (IH 1968-69)

Former Board Chair, Amnesty International USA

"International House flowered as a haven for minority students and gave foreign students the chance to live with American students under one roof. It was a unique oasis that welcomed, sheltered and protected those like myself."

#### Kathryn Anthony (IH 1976-79) writes:

"Happy 80th birthday I-House!!! Thanks for being such a special place in the hearts and minds of students and alums from all over the world..."

#### Linda Jay Geldens (IH 1959 - 60)

"One day I was coming up the gorgeous tile stairs and encountered a young man coming down the stairs. He had been visiting his friend, Rose Bird, who lived on my floor. The young man was Jerry Brown, fresh from the Jesuit seminary in Los Gatos. I was not from California, and did not realize that his father was Governor Pat Brown! Jerry asked me to drive down to Sacramento the next weekend with another I-House resident, Sukey Roth, and a priest friend of



Jerry's. We would have lunch and swim in the pool at his folks' house. I said yes, and that weekend I learned who Jerry was! ...I-House means so much to me. It opened up my somewhat narrow world to encompass the whole world." More at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/80

Ernesto Tejeda-Yeomans (IH 2009-10)

Favorite moment: "Dancing Thriller with the RAs for a Sunday Supper"

Lessons learned: "I-House is the place where academia brings the world together!"



Khatharya Um (IH1983-88) UC Berkeley Associate Professor

"At I-House, accents are as common as complaints about the menu. One can feel not just the freedom but the pride of wearing a sarong or a sari. These are little mundane things but they mark a world of difference for those of us who find solace in diversity and in a multifaceted environment."



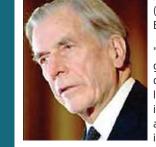
Floris van den Broek (IH 1988 - 90) Favorite moment: "Halloween party in the laundry room"

Lessons learned: "Friends from all over the world, with whom I'm in contact almost daily, even after 20 years!"

#### Paul Salz (IH 1950-52)

"When Lottie arrived in Denmark, the War was at an end and Denmark interned everyone who looked German including Lottie and those who had escaped from the concentration camp with her. They wondered how they could prove their real status so they unwrapped the bandages from their arms and showed their concentration camp numbers. They were free! Lottie received an American Friendship Scholarship and went first to Virginia and then to Berkeley. I-House was Lottie's home. She had no other."





John Kenneth Galbraith (IH 1930-32) Economist, author, professor

"I remember with the greatest of pleasure my days at International House. I experienced here an intensity of discussion beyond anything I have known since, in 60 years of public life."

Sadako Nakamura Ogata (IH 1956-57) Former United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees



"To be exposed directly to persons that had gone through different experiences because of the kind of relationships that governments, or countries, or people had in those days—was a very much of an eyeopening experience.... [I-House] made sure we exposed ourselves to diverse cultures... and this is something that still requires a lot of continued reinforcement. "



Lottie Wallerstein Salz

#### Christian Meyer (IH 1965-66)



"In those days I-House was still 'segregated', with the girls living in one wing of the building, and the boys in the other one. And only on Sunday afternoons the boys were allowed to visit girls in their rooms and vice versa, for an hour or two. Only two or three years later we heard that someone had removed the door that separated the two wings and hid it well. The rumor had it that the beloved Director, Sheldon Warrick, ordered a search for the door, but it was never found. After all, Berkeley led the country not only in the free-speech movement and anti-war demonstrations, but also in breaking down all kinds of taboos. And I guess the consensus was that it was indeed time for that door to go... " More at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/80

#### Basil Hoare (IH 1952 - 53)

"Living at I House in the early fifties was a very memorable time for me. The social experience in particular was quite invaluable and completely changed the course of my life and career. I made a number of good friends amongst both American and foreign students. The friendliness of the atmosphere was noteworthy. A chance introduction and handshake with a very friendly President Sproul while walking along a Berkeley Street was an example and unlikely to have occurred in Oxford..." More at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/80

#### David Seaborg (IH 1973-74)

"I-House was an interesting, rewarding, educational experience for me. It opened my eyes to foreign cultures, allowed me to build friendships, and was just plain fun. I enjoyed the conversations at meals, and the trip to the Sierra that was then called the Lodestar Program. I thoroughly enjoyed my year at I-House."

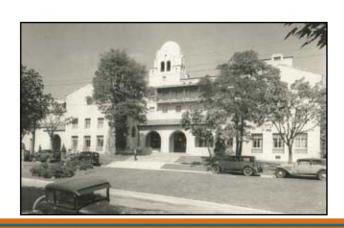
Bonnie Ritzenthaler Wilson Esq., now of La Jolla (IH 1953 - 54)

"I have just arrived at the I-House with my suitcases to attend a week-long conference and I am overcome by emotion. I had lived there over 50 years ago and I realize a sea of time separates me from those days. The I-House was the place where I met my husband, Dr. Allan N. Wilson, and we had a circle of friends, mostly in Physics, all working toward doctorates...

The memory of all lives on in my heart and in my mind's eye. I can always see the Great Hall and the bustle in the Dining Room in my treasure chest of memories. The future there will hold many more fascinating life stories." More at *http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/80*.



# HOUSE CELEBRATES 80TH YEAR OF ADVANCING CROSS-CULTURAL RESPECT, FRIENDSHIP, PEACE



August 18, 1930

Despite protests, International House opens its doors as the first coeducational, interracial living center west of New York. Dedicated to intercultural friendships and peace, I-House is the second of four Houses funded by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Founder Harry Edmonds strives to "strike bigotry and exclusiveness right hard in the nose" at a time when sororities and fraternities exclude international students and people of color. George



1946 - 47

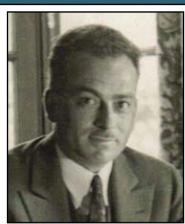
Members of the American Friends Service Committee and American Civil Liberties Union ask residents to help test a Berkeley ordinance prohibiting restaurants and bars from refusing service to people of

We had some establishments fined and some closed. After a few weeks, no Berkeley bar or restaurant would have dared to refuse service to a non-white customer! - Christiane Gilberte Barbarin Cook (IH 1946 - 47)



1963 - 82

Week-long Lodestar retreats led by Program Director Donna Dickinson, assisted by Barbara Lynch and Irene Prescott, feature intense discussions and build lasting friendships. One alum fondly recalls the retreats: I came to Lodestar to find myself and I discovered the world.



1930 - 61

Allen Blaisdell is the first Executive Director of I-House, serving from 1930 to 1961. Throughout his tenure he fought racial discrimination and bravely denounced the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II.



I-House is one of the very few places in the Bay Area where people of diverse ethnic background can gather comfortably in an integrated setting. When the barbers on campus refuse to cut black students' hair, Allen Blaisdell protests and

1980

barbershops are integrated.

1930s



1932 - 55

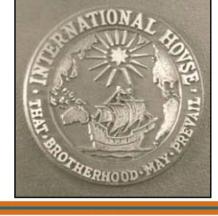
**Eugenie Carneiro establishes the first International** Festival and coordinates cultural programs for the next 23 years.

At each International Festival, we see a spark shining with faith in the belief that people of different backgrounds and cultures can work together toward a common good.



1941

A newspaper photo of Executive Director Blaisdell with residents from Syria, India, Japan, Iraq and Afghanistan. Following the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Japanese students are deported and Blaisdell assists Japanese American students. Allen Blaisdell arranged for my transfer to *I-House Chicago to avoid being sent to an internment camp.* This would not have been possible if I had not lived in this caring community of friends. – Bernice Tajima



1947 - 52

Many students are veterans, some are refugees, resistance fighters, and Holocaust survivors.

So what made those years 'Golden'? Friendships made on ski trips; all-night conversations; heated discussions; language tables; Council meetings; and Festivals. The motto 'That Brotherhood May Prevail' was taken seriously. – Jean Sullivan Dobrzensky



1950s

The Coffee Shop is a popular place to meet people from around the world.

I loved everything about the place: the Great Hall, the good food in the Dining Room, the relaxing ambiance of the Coffee Shop, and Friday night dances, but most of all I loved meeting the world. My year at I-House grounded my studies in anthropology and strengthened my view that the commonalities among cultures outweigh our differences. - Phyllis Finkel Mattson (IH 1951-52)



- Ladd Griffith (IH 1952-55)

1988

Joe Lurie is appointed the third Executive Director. He inaugurates gala fundraising celebrations, inspires a PBS documentary, and writes an I-House history. Mr. Lurie loves sharing maxims illustrating I-House's important mission. A favorite: The stranger sees only what he knows.





Martin Brennan is appointed the fourth Executive Director. The Cal alum and former ambassador brings more than 30 years of international affairs experience to the role. Mr. Brennan initiates Navigating Cultures, the first for-credit UC class offered by I-House.





2002

Rotary World Peace Scholars release doves at a Celebration of Peace in remembrance of September 11, 2001.

After the attacks of 9/11, being Middle Eastern made me subject to lots of hate. Because I thought Americans hated me, I hated them. My experience with my American roommate and all aspects of life at I-House made me a changed soul. If everyone knew what we learn at I-House, their fear of 'the other' would be shattered, and their hate would turn into understanding. – Zahra Makoui (IH 2002-03)





2003

The first nine Gateway Scholarship recipients begin their Ph. D. studies at Cal while living at I-House through an unprecedented partnership between the campus and the House. For the first time, this full scholarship package of tuition, room, board, and stipend allows Cal to compete with private schools by offering similar scholarship packages. Each scholarship is a named endowment.



2004 - 2007

Joe Lurie leads the successful \$10.6 million 75th Anniversary

Campaign to fund scholarships, renovations, and programs.

financial aid tops \$600,000, and Steven Rockefeller is honored

at the 75th anniversary gala. The Joe Lurie Returned Peace

The Edith Coliver estate endows the Festival of Cultures.

Corps Volunteer Fellowship becomes the first endowed

fellowship to support volunteers pursuing a doctorate.







1952-55

There were many activities when we mixed with all residents...dances on Friday night, folk dancing with a professional teacher, and the remarkable festivals produced by Eugenie Carneiro. We even had an I-House chorus.



There was a special irony in being in the House at that time. The world seemed to be in flames with bombs dropping in Asia and Europe; but at I-House, we wanted to keep alive the hope for a world of friendship among all

1942

peoples – Harold Gilliam (IH 1941-42) , author, journalist



1958

prevent future flooding.



1943 - 46

International House is rented to the U.S. Navy, renamed "Callaghan Hall" and occupied by 800-900 Navy students-nearly double the pre-war occupancy. Most are not allowed to use the elevators so that they stay in shape!



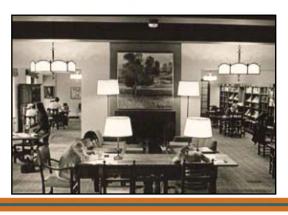
1943-46

During the Callaghan Hall years, I-House residents live in five fraternity houses and organize traditional programs. This is the first time I-House residents shared rooms and many enjoy the close friendships of roommates.



1961

W. Sheridan Warrick is appointed **Executive Director following the** retirement of Allen Blaisdell. Throughout the turbulence of the 60s and 70s, Mr. Warrick maintains I-House as a home for peace, understanding, and free speech.



1969

Students remove the doors separating the men's and women's sections of the House and Mr. Warrick chooses to ignore the transgression. Soon after, the men's and women's lounges are integrated, forming today's library.



#### 1989

I remember students from around the world watching as the Berlin Wall came tumbling down. I looked around me and realized how many of us at I-House had taken down the walls within ourselves. The world was not only changing on the screen – it was changing through us at I-House. Living here taught me more about politics than my graduate classes in political science. – Bonnie Wasserman (IH 1989-90)



1990 - 96

The Board commits to increasing scholarship support which grows from \$68,600 in 1990 to \$221,000 in 1996. Scholarship funding is spurred by the 60th and 65th anniversary galas honoring David Rockefeller and Arun Sarin (IH 1975-78). Joe Lurie initiates summer Elderhostel programs.



1991 - present

The tradition of cultural festivals returns with the Edith Coliver Festival of Cultures, a full day of performances, arts and crafts, cultural booths, and food from around the world. The event is held each year in April in conjunction with Cal Day.

1997

A new ramp at the entrance of I-House is constructed to facilitate access for people with disabilities. Residents Victor Pineda (IH 1999-2000) and Daniel Florio (IH 1993-96) become activists for disability rights and serve on a U.N. committee promoting the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities worldwide.









Despite the economic downturn, I-House strives to assist 20% of residents to ensure cultural as well as socio-economic diversity. Scholarship recipients including those pictured above benefit from the generosity of I-House alumni and friends around the world. I-House establishes a World of Difference Donor Wall honoring contributors who support the I-House mission with lifetime giving of \$5,000 or more.





The tradition of Sunday Supper, established in 1910 by I-House founder Harry Edmonds, continues today. Held four times each year, Sunday Suppers include a speaker and entertainment provided by talented residents. The final Sunday Supper of every year includes the traditional Candlelight Ceremony, where the symbolic flame of "enlightenment" honoring our global humanity is passed among residents, alumni, and friends.



2010

International House celebrates its 80th Anniversary with several events and a collection of 80 Perspectives on 80 Years posted at http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/80

A strategic planning process prepares I-House for the future.



During the big flood of 1958, water pours through the Dining Room, patio, Great Hall and down the front steps of I-House. A new drainage system is installed to

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# INTERNATIONAL HOUSE TIMES

# **VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE AT** INTERNATIONAL HOUSE

Each year, volunteers enrich the capacity of I-House to carry out its mission. The time and energy of alumni and friends who help consider how I-House can meet the needs of the communities it serves and fulfill its mission are vital to our capacity to do so. Meet two I-House volunteers:



C.V. Ravi (IH 1964-66) was elected to the I-House Board of Directors at its October 2010 meeting. He brings more than 30 years of experience founding and growing companies that have developed and applied leading-edge technologies to build commercial applications and products worldwide. Ravi earned an M.S. and a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at UC Berkeley. Most recently, Ravi was CEO of Monsoon Multimedia, a global provider of digital video technology and services. He has also served as an Assistant Professor in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at UC Berkeley; taught at the Kobenhavns Universitat in Denmark; and lectured internationally on technical subjects and entrepreneurship.

Alumnus Daniel Mouen-Makoua (IH 1984) re-connected with

the House in 2007 when visiting Berkeley for work from his home

C.V. Ravi elected to the Board

in London. Originally from Cameroon, Daniel's high regard for the difference I-House and UC Berkeley made in his own life and his desire to see others benefit from the experience, inspired him to work with Executive Director Martin Brennan and UC Berkeley's Graduate Division to establish an annual I-House scholarship award. Benefitting a graduate student in any academic field and with a priority preference for students that hail from Sub-Saharan Africa, the roomand-board "Gateway" award is matched by Cal with tuition, fees, and a \$5K stipend. Appointed to the Development Committee of the Board of Directors in 2010, Daniel was kind enough to provide the following comment on what inspires him to give to I-House.



Daniel Mouen-Makoua (left) with scholarship recipient Assane Gueye from Senegal, a Ph. D. candidate in Electrical Engineering.

### WHY I GIVE ... BY DANIEL MOUEN-MAKOUA

I give to open new opportunities for gifted young people to experience what I-House taught me: a better understanding of the world and to the connections needed for a life of active contribution. My special interest in Africa is grounded in family ties there, and the knowledge that I-House can shape the kind of competent leaders with strong ethic and moral values that Africa-and our world -needs. Leadership requires technical competence and we all know UC Berkeley can deliver with world renowned expertise in many fields. But life at I-House offers additional important learning opportunities-those that build professional and personal networks-along with the capacity to better understand global challenges, and better shape global solutions.

# MONEY WELL SPENT

In line with Strategic Planning initiatives and with the support of donor contributions, the Board of Directors and Physical Operations team at I-House are carrying out an ambitious agenda to refurbish and re-design areas throughout I-House. "After 80 years of constant service, this building that makes all our work possible requires diligent ongoing efforts to ensure function, comfort, and beauty for residents of today and tomorrow," says Executive Director Martin Brennan.

In the library, beautiful new wooden windows replaced the disintegrating window frames and worn carpet was replaced. Window trim was painted and decorative ironwork and wooden balcony railings were repaired and painted. Attractive new landscaping brightens up the view from the front steps and Dining Room. Restrooms on the southeast corridor of the 3rd



The disintegrating 80-year-old windows in the library

# TREASURED ALUMNUS WOLF HOMBURGER **HONORED AT I-HOUSE**



On June 27, 2010, the I-House Auditorium was filled with the friends and family of Wolfgang S. Homburger, who came to pay tribute to his remarkable life. An internationally renowned traffic engineer, author, professor, researcher, friend, family man, and philanthropist, Wolf's commitment to supporting the arts and peace-promoting organizations, including I-House, was informed by his youth in Nazi-occupied Germany.

Born in Karlsruhe, Germany, in 1926, Wolf was sent to England as part of the final Kindertransport, a rescue operation primarily for Jewish children, in 1939. He spent the war years living with a British family on a farm and attending Eastbourne College. After immigrating to the U.S. as a young man, Wolf was reunited with his parents and earned a master's in Civil Engineering from UC Berkeley in 1951, followed by four years of service to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Wolf joined the Institute of Transportation Studies (ITS) at UC Berkeley in 1955 as a junior research engineer and was the Institute's Assistant Director when he retired in 1990. His popular classes and his textbook, Fundamentals of Traffic Engineering, now in its sixteenth printing, influenced thousands of students and transportation professionals. He was honored by the Institute of Transportation Engineers with the Wilbur S. Smith Distinguished Transportation Educator Award, their highest honor, in 1997.

Wolf met his late wife, Arlene, at a UC Berkeley International House alumni event and they were married in 1958. Both had great affection for I-House and were generous supporters. A trust established by Wolf shortly following Arlene's death in 2002, has provided over a quarter of a million dollars to preserve the International House building as a unifying source of love and friendship among people around the world. The south patio of the International House café, with a view facing the Bay Area community the Homburgers loved, is dedicated in Arlene's name, and Wolf's former room, 760, bears a plaque honoring his life and work.

As a couple, Arlene and Wolf were passionate about music, the arts, and committed supporters of Neve Shalom-Wahat al-Salam, a village in Israel where Jewish and Arab families live together in a peace-building effort. Wolf died June 9, 2010, at the age of 83. He is survived by his son, Paul, and daughter-in-law, Donna, his daughter, Joanna, and son-inlaw Britton Snipes, and five grandchildren, Julian, Chris, Heather, Meghan, and Brianna, and members of the International House community worldwide.

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## **RESIDENTS VOYAGE INTO** SEALIFE CONSERVATION



#### were replaced with new wooden windows. floor were fully renovated over the summer in the next to last phase of an 8-year, multi-million dollar restroom, shower, and plumbing infrastructure project. The renovated Computer Center includes a conference table for collaborative projects

or Mac operating systems. An additional wireless access point provides improved network access for residents with laptops and a new scanner supplements existing printers. A major overhaul of steam pipes connecting I-House to campus will soon be underway and roof replacement over the Hall of History will bring an end to problematic leaks in the Hall of History.

"There is always more work to do," remarks Mr. Brennan. "We aspire to provide elevator access to the central Heller Patio so all our friends and alumni can enjoy this beautiful outdoor space, and modernizing the needs of today's dining services



and Mac Mini computers with dual operating systems allow residents to utilize either Windows



Residents appreciate the newly-renovated Computer Center which the servery and kitchen to better meet now includes a conference table for collaborative projects.

clientele is also a priority. Room furnishings will need replacement as well. We are fortunate that our alumni and friends have provided such loyal support to underwrite some of these costs. Our brick inscription and room dedication programs are a meaningful way for donors to support this work while connecting their personal legacy to our history and purpose." Inquiries regarding these programs and the ongoing renovation projects may be directed to: ihalumni@berkeley.edu.



Wolf and Arlene Homburger, who met at an I-House alumni reunion, shared their lives for fifty years and a love of family, the arts, and the mission of I-House.

I-House Council members Tiffany Ng and Daniel Viragh.

For the second time, the non-profit SeaLife Conservation provided a free expedition on the SF Bay with residents of I-House to further their mission of research and education in support of marine conservation. The 65-foot sailing vessel the Derek M. Baylis, called the "Prius of the Seas" for its environmental design and sustainable construction, took 14 students for a sail on Earth Day, April 22, 2010, where they learned about ongoing efforts by the organization to remove plastic from the Bay. The trip is linked to larger efforts being undertaken under the mantel "The Greening of I-House," where students and partnerships with local organizations highlight the global need to care for our shared

planet.

# NEWS & NOTES

### Submit your news online at: http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/a/notes

## 1930s

Congratulations to Karl Landstrom on his 101st birthday! Karl lived in the House during its very first year and says, "My year at I-House influenced me toward observing equality with others of different backgrounds in a lifetime involving various kinds of organizational and social relationships." Among his many accomplishments, Karl served as Director of the Bureau of Land Management from 1961-63.

## 1940s

Grace Thompson Altus writes, "It was a delight to see a picture of my dear I-House roommate Ellen Grunwald Hisdal and her husband Bjarne in the recent I-House publication announcing their generous legacy. Someday I hope to visit the House again and see the plaque on our room, #341. Meanwhile, I keep in touch locally with Lesley Jones Alexander who was also a resident in the '40s, and recently sat with Joe Connell at our Emeriti Lunch at UCSB. The Golden Years were indeed golden for me.'

Harold Gilliam was interviewed in the KQED documentary, Saving the Bay, as one of the pioneers in the conservation movement that stopped the filling of the Bay and started the restoration process. Harold noted that he lived in I-House and the documentary included a view of the House.



Marion Ross enjoyed a very happy reunion with Rehana Latif Islam 50 years after they were friends at I-House. Rehana went on to a career with the World Bank and Marion is a Professor Emerita of Economics at Mills College.

Anne Waybur lives in a senior community in Mill Valley and notes, "Except for the age range, it has many of the characteristics of I-House: men and women with a variety of intellectual, political, and cultural interests and events to engage those interests, including a performance by Pete Seeger and everyone could sing his songs! I feel right at home here, as I did in that wonderful, exciting, stimulating year that I lived in I-House."

## 1950s

Basil Hoare writes, "John Conroy was a very good friend at I-House and all my life. It was an honor to know him. I cherish my memories of I-House. This time set me off on my overseas career in developing countries with Bilateral and International Agencies of the United Nations -FAO and ILO. I have so many good memories of my time at I-House and good friends I made

# 1960s



Kiran Shah enjoyed Dr. Arlene Blum's talk at the Spring Lodestar Dinner on March 9, 2010. He posed next to a photo of himself as a resident in 1967 on display in the Hall of History.

Raj Upadhyay enjoyed returning to the House after 50 years and touring the House with his family. Raj lives in southern California and works with International Business Development: Oil & Gas, Power, LNG.

## **SEND US YOUR NEWS!**

Please send us YOUR news on the **RSVP panel on page 11.** Photos will be published as space allows.

## 1970s

Angelika Blendstrup is co-teaching Navigating Cultures, a four-unit UC course offered by I-House incorporating case studies and practical hands-on simulations from business, diplomacy, politics, and everyday life. Angelika is a business communications consultant who helps foreignborn executives understand the complexities of American business culture and the English language to communicate effectively.

David Brock is a journalist, author, and founder of Media Matters for America, a "progressive research and information center dedicated to comprehensively monitoring, analyzing, and correcting conservative misinformation in the U.S. media.'

Charles Ferguson directed the critically acclaimed film Inside Job exposing "the truth behind the financial crisis of 2008 and America's current economic problems" with Matt Damon narrating. Premieres were held at the Telluride Film Festival, Toronto International Film Festival, and New York Film Festival before its nationwide release. "This is not a piece of ragged muckraking or breathless advocacy. It rests its outrage on reason, research and careful argument," writes The New York Times critic A. O. Scott.



Nyunt Nyunt (Natty) Thane, who completed his MPH in Health education Berkeley, is a Child Protection Specialist with UNICEF in Myanmar. He made a presentation on "Women and Trafficking" for International Women's Day 2010 in Myanmar. He would love to see Berkeley friends. Contact the Alumni Office for his email address.



Nanette Chadwick (above) recently earned tenure as an Associate Professor of Marine Biology at Auburn University in Alabama. Every summer, she takes students to Jordan for a study abroad course on Red Sea Coral Reefs. Nanette has fond memories of I-House and the diverse people she met during her stay.

Margaret Collins Andrews, Associate Dean for Management Programs at Harvard University, Division of Continuing Education, is assisting I-House in its strategic planning process.



Paulo J.M. Monteiro is the Roy W. Carlson Distinguished Professor of Civil Engineering at Berkeley. His research interests include concrete behavior and structural materials. He also serves as Faculty Scientist in the Department of Materials at Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory.

# 1990s

Saul Griffith held his own in an interview on the Colbert Report in September. Recipient of the 2007 MacArthur "genius" award, Saul says he is obsessed with climate change and energy. He is currently developing high altitude kites to capture wind energy. On a personal level, he says he is trying to have a higher quality of life while reducing his energy consumption by decreasing his airplane travel, using public transit, and conserving paper.

Yohannes Haile-Selassie was in the news as the leader of the archeological team that discovered "Lucy's great-grandfather" in Ethiopia, a fossil 400,000 years older than Lucy but of the same species. The fossil, nicknamed Kadanuumuu, walked upright, demonstrating that bipedalism was established at least 3.58 million years ago. Haile-Selassie is Director of Anthropology at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History.

## 2000s



Robert Sepeda and his mom at his graduation from Teachers College at Columbia University, where he earned his master's in International Educational Development. He writes, "I also studied Latino education and domestic education policy." He lives in Houston.

# 2010s

Bagassi Koura's documentary The Stinking Ship was screened at the Mill Valley Film Festival and the UN Film Festival at Stanford in October. The film investigates the destruction caused by the Probo Koala, a "floating refinery." Dumping of the vessel's toxic cargo resulted in a health crisis in the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast).



Congratulations to Allan Mugishagwe and his wife Irene on the birth of their daughter Riela on Sept. 24. The family will return to Uganda in November for Allan's fieldwork on "The Cultural Work of Music in NGOs: Uganda" to complete his Ph.D. in Ethnomusicology.

Rochelle Terman, daughter of a Muslim-Iranian mother and Jewish-American father, interned at Women Living Under Muslim Laws and helped found the Global Campaign to Stop Killing and Stoning Women (SKSW). She spent the summer researching and documenting success stories of women's organizations in Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iran, Nigeria, Pakistan, Senegal and Sudan.

Congratulations to Erik Petigura, who was one of five finalists for the University Medal, awarded to Berkeley's top graduating senior. Erik graduated with a double major in physics and astrophysics and is now a first-year Ph.D. student in astronomy at Cal. "Right now, I'm really excited about the field of extrasolar planets. I'm involved in several projects to detect and characterize these alien worlds. At I-House, what I liked most was the sense of community."

## STAFF NEWS

Welcome to Ryan Jones who joined the staff as Director of Admissions in May. Ryan has worked in Student Affairs for 15 years, most recently as Associate Dean of Students at the California College of the Arts. He also worked in Residential Life at UC Davis and UC Santa Cruz. "I-House has impressed me as a truly special place whose inspirational mission and long-standing traditions are matched by the excellence of their residents. I'm excited to be part of this vibrant community.' Ryan earned his BA at UC Davis and Master's in Higher Education Administration with a minor in Diversity Education at Oregon State University.

there.

Renowned attorney and law professor Krishna K. Nigam visited I-House from his native India in October, accompanied by his wife Dr. Nigam, who for the first time saw the building her husband lived in during 1958. The newlyweds were separated when Krishna was completing his law studies at Cal while Dr. Nigam cared for their infant son in India. "I-House is just as beautiful as he always said," remarked Dr. Nigam, "even fifty years after he first wrote to me about tiled floors and the Great Hall ....?

### **STAY AT I-HOUSE**

Plan a stay in one of two guest rooms and re-experience International House! Contact the Events Office at (510) 642-0589 or email ihevents@berkeley.edu. Guest rooms are popular so reserve well in advance.

Yusaf Said from Afghanistan visited I-House for the first time in 35 years. He recalled working in the Library and as a Graduate Resident Assistant. He enjoyed walking through the House again and appreciated the magnificent architecture.

# 1980s



Mahmood Safar visited in August from his home in Oman where he is Managing Director of Mahmood Ismail Al Qassab Trading and is very active in Toastmasters International.

Ellinor Dalbye and Yuro Kasahara write, "We met at I-House in the spring semester of 2007 and got married in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on July 18th. Thank you for creating such a special place and for giving us the opportunity to find friendship and love across all borders! Never stop doing what you're doing. Best wishes I-House."

### **CELEBRATE ROMANCE!**

Did you meet your spouse at I-House? We know of more than 1,000 couples who met here and would love to add you to the list! Use the RSVP panel or email ihalumni@ berkeley.edu and let us know when and how you met.

Zofia Rybkowski writes, "My happiest days at Berkeley were at I-House. The relationships I forged there are lasting. The work you do is a great force for good. Thank you! I just finished my first year teaching at Texas A&M. College Station is a very different place from Berkeley but I am adapting." She is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Construction Science, focusing on environmentally sustainable architecture.

Welcome to David Tozer who joined the staff as Assistant Director of Development and Alumni Relations in October. David hails from Bristol in the UK, but has spent most of his professional life living overseas, including Japan, France and Portugal. He has worked in senior communications and fundraising roles, primarily in global health and higher education. "I'm thrilled to be part of the I-House team, and to serve an organization with a deep commitment to bringing diverse people together around purposeful, timely, and important enterprises." David earned his Master's in Critical Theory at Nottingham University and has a law degree from BPP Law School in London.

Farewell to Alumni Relations staff members Paul Kuzmickas and Ishara Casellas-Katz who are attending graduate school. Paul is at Queen Mary, University of London for a master's in Public Policy and Ishara is at Columbia University Teachers College in NY for a masters in Higher and Postsecondary Education Administration.

# IN MEMORY

#### 1940s ALUMNI

#### George Brown Dove, Jr. May 4, 2010

Earned a BS in Business at Cal after serving in World War II. Worked for Federal Defense Contract Administration in procurement and quality assurance. Helped build Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church where he served as an elder and deacon. Survived by his wife of 56 years, Marian Dove, sons, and grandchildren.

#### Karl A. Kasten

May 3, 2010 A celebrated painter, printmaker and UC Berkelev Professor Emeritus of Art who won international recognition for his abstract expressionist painting. Founder of UC Berkeley's first printmaking facility. Survived by his wife of 52 years, Georgette Kasten, children and grandchildren.

#### Jeanne Moffatt Nichols

April 3, 2010

#### Max Palevsky May 5, 2010

#### Jacqueline Gain Sheldon

July 17, 2009 Jacqueline Gain Sheldon arrived at I-House in 1948 after being hired as a teaching assistant in the French Department and soon met Charles Sheldon. She recalled, "The meeting with Charles changed my life forever! It opened up unexpected views towards the world - mainly Japan - which was Charles' life interest and became mine. What better preparation could I have had than staying at I-House?" They lived in Japan before settling in Cambridge, England, where Charles was a lecturer in Japanese History. In appreciation for the many kindnesses they received in Asia, Jacqueline established the Charles and Jacqueline Sheldon Scholarship Endowment at I-House for students from Asia.

#### **Dorothy Hosford Smith**

June 23, 2010 Survived by her husband, Herbert Smith, in Pomona, CA.

#### Herbert Stansbury

July 31, 2010

Serving as the cartoon editor of the Daily Cal was the beginning of a career in cartooning and humor. Herb founded Stansbury and Co. a marketing consulting firm and was known to many as the creator of cartoons including "Smart Chart," which poked fun at corporate culture, "Offline," and "Dude." As a passionate supporter of Cal athletics, he was instrumental in forming Bear Backers and designed the growling bear logo so familiar to Cal alumni. Herb received many honors, including Cal's Wheeler Oak Meritorious Award, and served on community boards including the I-House Board. Survived by his wife, Audrey Stansbury, daughters, and grandchildren.

#### Mary Louise Taber August 18, 2009

Theodore W. Van Zelst July 6, 2009

#### William B Wolf June 13, 2009

1950s ALUMNI

#### Wolfgang Homburger

June 9, 2010 (See Page 9)

#### Tetsuo Kondo March 4, 2010

Served as chief of the Economic Planning Agency and as Minister of Labor from 1991 to 1992. Originally from Yamagata Prefecture, he began his career as a member of the Japanese Ministry of Finance and served for nine terms as a member of the House of Representatives of Japan. Kondo served on the 75th Anniversary Campaign Leadership Committee for I-House and was President of the UC Berkeley Japan Alumni Association

### Reid Moran

January 21, 2010 An explorer, scientist, and Curator of Botany at the San Diego Natural History Museum, Dr. Moran was renowned for his expeditions by mule to remote locations throughout Baja California that yielded hundreds of plant specimens. Anthropologist Jane Goodall called Moran "a sort of living myth in botanical exploration." He hiked through rough terrain well into his 70s and enjoyed singing folk songs and playing the guitar. Survived by his daughter, stepson, and sister.

#### Michael A. Parsont March 6, 2010

Mina Raines-Lambe Parsont announces with great sadness the passing of her husband, Dr. Michael Parsont. They met at the International House in 1955 and were married in Paris on July 4, 1959. Dr. Parsont earned a master's and doctorate degrees in radiation biology before joining the Atomic Energy Commission which later became the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He is survived by his wife Mina Parsont, two sons, and five grandchildren.

### **GIFTS IN MEMORY**

The gifts below were received between March 2 and August 31, 2010. The name of the honoree is listed in bold followed by the names of the donors.

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# YOUR NEWS FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER:

# February 7, 2010

and Civilization for over 40 years including 25 years at San Diego State University. He is survived by his wife, Gloria Weeter, children grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Chosen by Gov. Jerry Brown to be one of the original appointees to the California Energy Commission, where he served from 1975 through 1979. He later served as Technical Director of the California Radioactive Materials Management Forum and returned to Lawrence

#### 1980s ALUMNI

### Arnel A. Serapio

After earning his BS in Business and MBA at Berkeley. Arnel went America, and most recently established an Asia-based export



#### July 28, 2010

A rising soccer player, dedicated student, and advocate for social change in her home country of Pakistan who died in a plane crash outside of Islamabad. The crash killed all 152 passengers. Misha had been awarded an I-House scholarship and was looking forward to living in the House this fall. Her father and brother visited the House in September to see where Misha would have lived.

# Iver Lyche

#### March 28, 2010

Born in Oslo, Norway, Iver escaped from Norway during WWII and joined the Norwegian Air Force. He earned an MBA from UC Berkeley where he captained the ski team. In 1951, he joined Shuman Agnew Investment Company and became President of the Board. The company merged with Morgan Stanley under Iver's leadership. Iver was awarded the Medal of Honor in 1985 by King Olav for support of Norwegian affairs in the U.S. and served on community boards including the Board of I-House. Iver is survived by his wife of sixty years, Joan Lyche, their children, and grandchildren.

#### Hannah Ohashi Miyahara

Hannah worked in the Admissions Office at International House. She and her husband, Gengo, made their home in Oakland and enjoyed celebrating their 60th Anniversary.

Please send information for In Memory to: I-House Times Editor, 2299 Piedmont Ave., Berkeley, CA 94720 or email johnsonb@berkeley.edu

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- Please send information on charitable estate and gift planning.
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# PLEASE UPDATE YOUR RECORD

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First name

Middle initial

Area's Indian community and served as President of Kannada Koota of Northern California and President of South India Fine Arts of Northern California. He is survived by his wife, Dr. Sarala Rao of Los Altos Hills, children, and grandchildren. Raymond E. Rappaport February 17, 2010

#### Denise Aviva Shual Ronan July 28, 2010

Rangaiya Rao April 22, 2010 Born in Bangalore, India, he attended Central College and the Indian Institute of Science in Bangalore before coming to UC Berkeley where

he earned his M.S. and Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering. He served as

a Professor of Electrical Engineering at San Jose State University for more than three decades. Rao was a prominent member of the Bay

Originally from Egypt, Denise invigorated and inspired the lives of her family, students, and acquaintances. She taught English at Texas State and served on the Texas State University Arts Committee. For 30 years, she fought multiple sclerosis while remaining passionate about the arts, entertaining, teaching, and traveling - even in countries with minimal wheelchair accessibility. Survived by her husband Clifford Ronan, children, and grandchildren.

#### Raymond D. Weeter

A distinguished Professor of Spanish, Latin American Literature

#### 1960s ALUMNI

#### Alan D. Pasternak September 24, 2010

Livermore National Lab in 1990 to resume his work on energy policy. Survived by his wife, Meta Pasternak, children, and grandchildren.

# July 30, 2010

on to work for Eli Lilly, Rockwell International, Boeing North business. He made his home in Las Vegas, Survived by his wife, Mary Ann Serapio. Friends dedicated a brick on the I-House patio in his memory that is inscribed:



## Misha Dawood

FRIENDS

## August 21, 2009

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anuary 16	1990s Reunion at I-House
anuary 29	All Decades Alumni Reunion at Yoshi's in San Francisco
ebruary 1	The Sausan Egyptian Dance Company Ensemble's Operetta, Al Afra Al Saeeda
ebruary 2	Intercultural Leadership Workshop: Communication Across Cultures
ebruary 3, 7:30 pm	Models of Democracy in Europe: A Panel of Consul Generals from the Bay Area
ebruary 4	Lunar New Year Dinner
ebruary 10, 7:30 pm	Walt Whitman's Global Vision of Spiritual Democracy with Dr. Steven Herrmann
ebruary 15, 7:30 pm	Film Series: Ghana: Digital Dumping Ground with Peter Klein
ebruary 17, 7:30 pm	Uprisings for the Earth: Reconnecting Culture with Nature. Osprey Orielle Lake's book launch.
ebruary 22 , 7:30 pm	Film Series: Brazil: The Carbon Hunters with Mark Schapiro of CIR and producer Andres Cediel
ebruary 24	African American Night: Dinner 6-8 pm and Gospel Extravaganza spectacular 8 pm
ebruary 26	50th Anniversary of Peace Corps Celebration
Narch 1, 12 noon	Discussion on Raising Happiness with author Christine Carter
Narch 1, 7:30 pm	Film Series: Uganda: Out of the Wild with producers Serene Fang and Singeli Agnew
Narch 3, 7:30 pm	Turkey's Kurdish Question with Laurent Dissard
Narch 4, 5-7 pm	Opening and Reception of Art Exhibit: Motherhood continues March 4 - 11
Narch 8, 2 pm	International Women's Day Tea: WE CARE Solar for safe motherhood with Dr. Laura Stachel
Narch 8	Mardi Gras Lunch 11:30 am -1 pm and Dinner 6-8 pm
Narch 15, 7:30 pm	Film Series: China: Jesus in China with filmmaker Cassandra Herrman
Narch 17, 12-2 pm	St. Patrick's Day jazz-inflected Irish roots music concert with Melanie O'Reilley and Sean O'Nuallain
Narch 17, 6-8 pm	St. Patrick's Day Dinner
Narch 18, 6-8 pm	Narooz Persian New Year Dinner
pril 5, 7:30 pm	Film Series: Turkey: Iranian Dissidents in Exile with reporter Alexandra Poolos & producer Joe Rubin
pril 16, 11 am-6 pm	Edith Coliver International Festival of Cultures on Cal Day. Cultural celebration throughout I-House
1ay 2, 6-8 pm	Festival de Sevilla Dinner
Nay 5	Cinco de Mayo Lunch 11:30 am -1 pm and Dinner 6-8 pm
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une 2011 TBD:	Tokyo Reunion

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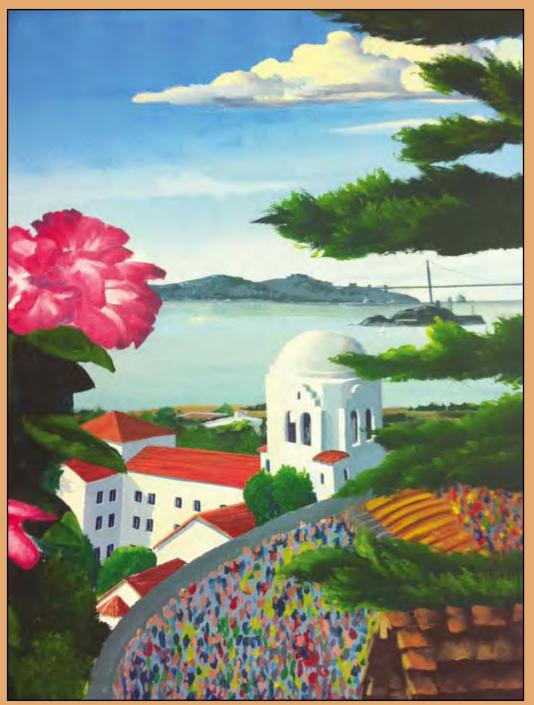
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