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UC Berkeley Chancellor Carol Christ Begins Her Role as
Chair of the International House Board Focusing on

A Shared Vision for the Future

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Diversity
Inclusion
**Thriving
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Executive Director's Message

I-House Contributes to the Chancellor's Vision of a More Vital Berkeley Community



Over the nearly nine decades of its existence, International House at UC Berkeley has developed an uncanny knack for building and sustaining a cohesive learning community within and without its walls. While there have been times when the community has been divided over various issues, in the main there has been a spirit of camaraderie here that is unrivaled around the

UC Berkeley campus. As new individuals join the I-House community each semester, they are drawn into I-House activities and pursuits that enable them to develop an enduring sense of kinship with this place and the people they meet here.

As Chancellor Carol Christ charts the path for UC Berkeley to become a university with a stronger spirit of campus community, the I-House Board of Directors believes that our success in this arena calls us to reexamine our own identity to become an even stronger proponent for the kind of campus environment that the Chancellor is envisioning.

We know that our existing facility is one-of-a-kind, so we want to continue shaping it into a space that nurtures a cohesive community. Our building's architecture is one of the key elements that draws new people into our community with such alacrity. Given the space constraints that we have at 2299 Piedmont, we want to be continually thinking about the development of additional communal spaces that enable intercultural friendships to be developed. As the I-House

property includes both indoor and outdoor spaces, we also want to reimagine the potential communal uses of our outdoor venues.

We have regularly observed that it is the least obvious spaces that enable intercultural bonding to occur. For example, when we renovated our laundry area several years ago and created an adjacent lounge, we saw that it became one of the key places for I-House residents to meet and greet one another. On the resident floors, there also are various stairwells, landings, and terraces where quite a bit of social activity occurs, often spontaneously.

Over the years, the I-House Café has been another one of the places where relationships flourish through group encounters over coffee, wine, beer, and other refreshments. At the urging of the I-House Resident Council, we are now in the process of considering how the Café might be better utilized to promote a stronger sense of community for those in our orbit.

Through all of this, we are mindful of our legacy of serving those who join our community with an unswerving focus on building relationships. This is what makes the I-House experience so special and meaningful. The reimagining effort we undertake will involve deliberate focus on using the spaces that we currently have, and those which we may create in the future, as devices for bringing people together ever more effectively in a vital and caring community. ■



Hans C. Giesecke, Executive Director

Board Transitions

The I-House Board of Directors unanimously approved the appointment of five board members at its May 4, 2017 meeting.

New to the Board are Curtis Chong and Matthew Kocher:



Curtis Chong, a 1977 UC Berkeley alumnus is an architect and principal with Boulder Associates Architects. He has worked in Hong Kong, Tokyo, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Colorado. Recently relocated to San Francisco, Curtis serves on the House Committee.



Matthew Kocher studied computer science at UC Berkeley while working at I-House as a computer resource specialist helping fellow students remedy their computer issues. He is now a Senior Engineering Director of Cloud Foundry at Pivotal in San Francisco, building software that enables companies to run web applications in the cloud.

Matthew serves on the Technology Committee.

Returning to the I-House Board after a required sabbatical period (pictured below from left to right) are John Bronson, Robert (Bob) Duffy, and Jamy Faulhaber.



Board members who rotated off of the I-House Board as of June 30, 2017 are pictured below from left to right, Richard Dishnica, Charles Ferguson, Joan P. Kask, Tejashkumar V. Unadkat, and Robert R. Wong. We thank them for their many years of dedicated volunteer service.



A Shared Vision for the Future

On July 1, 2017, Dr. Carol Christ embarked on her term as UC Berkeley's 11th chancellor. As emphasized in her welcome address, Chancellor Christ sees Berkeley as "a place that is steadfastly committed to widening the doors to educational opportunity, a place that sets young people from all backgrounds on a path towards success in their lives and in their careers. This combination of excellence and access is what defines and animates us; it is truly Berkeley's DNA."

International House has always had a unique and vitally important relationship with the UC Berkeley campus. One of the keys to that relationship is the fact that every president or chancellor of UC Berkeley since I-House was established in 1930 has served as chair of our Board of Directors. We are honored that Chancellor Christ continues this tradition as chair of the I-House Board. Her goals of building community, enhancing diversity, equity and inclusion, and ensuring that all students thrive go hand in hand with the mission of I-House.

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In her recent address to the I-House Board of Directors, Chancellor Christ highlighted the many ways in which I-House serves as a model for creating strong community connections and the ways in which this benefits student success at Cal. She is also dedicated to helping create deeper and meaningful dialogue on campus around challenging issues that face our country and the world today. I-House's mission of fostering understanding and awareness is a natural fit with these broader campus initiatives.

Christ commented: "During my first meeting as chair of the International House Board of Directors, I was pleased to see that I-House considers the concept of shaping and forming a sense of intentional community a critical part of its own operational mandate. I-House has served students from



around the world for nearly 90 years, and I am excited by the Board's desire to extend its sense of community cohesion to an even broader audience."

She continued: "As I-House considers various options for increasing its impact, I look forward to exploring the ideas and suggested mechanisms for enhancing housing options for both undergraduate and graduate students. My hope is that we can work cooperatively and supportively to offer additional community-enhancing housing options to our students, furthering our shared goal of enhancing student housing as a means of fostering a greater sense of community at UC Berkeley." ■

Not Just for International Students

Diverse U.S. Students Find Community at I-House

A major misconception about International House is that the facility only serves international students. However, the essential inclusion of United States residents in our mission actually dates back to 1930 and the original founding letter from John D. Rockefeller, Jr. that articulated our original philosophical aspirations and goals. Including residents from the U.S. is key in fostering intercultural awareness and increasing the level of understanding and friendship among citizens of different parts of the world.

The I-House admissions office manages all aspects of housing administration and residential life and is the first point of contact for applicants to I-House. During his tenure as Director of Admissions, Ryan Jones has learned that many of our U.S. I-House residents bring unique global perspectives and experiences with them. Through his engagement with both applicants and residents,

he has gained an understanding of why U.S. residents choose to live at I-House.

Jones says, “Many of them have lived, studied, or traveled abroad for significant periods of time. Others were born outside the U.S. or have parents who are recent immigrants and grew up in a household that was a mix of cultures. Some applicants from the U.S. have shared that, because of their multicultural upbringings and unique global perspectives, they did not feel as connected to their initial residential experiences on campus. Some had not yet found ‘their place’ at Cal and longed for a greater sense of community. They chose I-House because its mission and resident population more closely reflected their experiences in the world.”

Over the last several years, our admissions focus has been on the diversification of the resident population in three key areas:

- academic field of study
- country of citizenship
- economic background

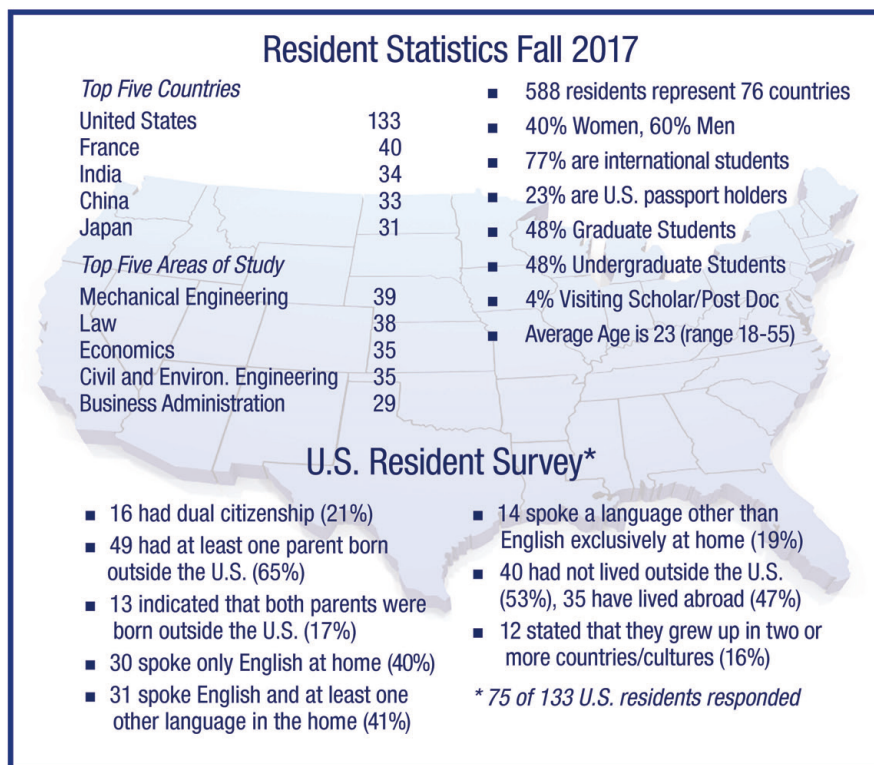
Each semester, the I-House admissions team releases detailed statistics that highlight demographic information about our resident population, including information on home country, academic area of study, age, gender, and academic standing. The great depth of intercultural experience that our U.S. residents bring to the I-House community, along with their stories and complex identities, is not fully illustrated by the simple statistic stating that 23 percent of our residents are from the United States.

This year, the U.S. Resident Survey was implemented to dig deeper into and quantify the complexity of experiences, upbringings, and heritages that our domestic residents bring to the I-House mix. The results of the survey affirm our perception that U.S. residents are globally aware and have

chosen to reside at I-House based on a desire to expand their life experiences. I-House staff intends to use this information to enhance its programmatic and residential offerings to maximize this higher level of interest in their engagement with the I-House mission.

The admissions staff also oversees the financial aid program for U.S. residents that helps ensure that the I-House experience is accessible to all applicants, regardless of financial circumstances. This year I-House launched a pilot program to

further increase academic diversity among our U.S. residents. We reached out to the graduate advisors in various graduate and Ph.D. programs that are traditionally underrepresented at I-House but whose subject matter closely aligns with the I-House mission. Response to this outreach was positive, and we were able to offer awards covering 50 percent of the room and board rates to five Ph.D. candidates from the Departments of Anthropology, African-American Studies, Hispanic Language & Literature, and Linguistics. I-House is pleased to welcome these students into the I-House fold and is hoping to expand this program for the 2018-19 academic year. ■



The *Power* of Financial Aid

Academic Achievement, Gratitude & Friendship

The full impact of what financial aid can do for our I-House residents is inspiring to observe. Over 120 students are receiving a combined total of \$713,500 in direct room and board support drawn from a portion of the Fund for I-House and from named-scholarship funds for the 2017 summer session and the 2017-18 academic year. This aid covers approximately 23 percent of eligible residents, which supports our goal to expand diversity and represented countries of citizenship within these walls.

On September 20, 2017, Gateway Fellowship and donor-named scholarship recipients gathered together at a special reception and dinner. Scholarship recipients had the opportunity to meet and express their heartfelt appreciation to scholarship program donors, representatives, and supporters. Great conversation and new friendships were sparked throughout the evening.



Ibrahim Itani and Anne Rosenzweig,
Janine Rosenzweig's daughter

Ibrahim Itani, from Lebanon, an M.S. student in transportation engineering in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, is this year's recipient of the Janine Rosenzweig Scholarship.

Ibrahim gave a personal note of thanks to the Rosenzweig family in which

he stated: "International House has provided me with a home away from home. It is a place where I can be myself. My stay here has deepened my appreciation of being a Francophone and of having a cultural background that is Lebanese and Arab. I hope that during my stay at I-House I can honor Janine Rosenzweig's memory by representing my culture to the world. *Merci*, thank you."

Scholarship recipients have expressed their gratitude in many different ways. Zareen Cheema, a graduate student in engineering from India, is this year's UC Berkeley Section Club Scholarship recipient. Zareen connected with the president and secretary of the UC Berkeley Section Club by inviting them to join her at the I-House Diwali dinner on October 17th. Zareen expressed to her supporters that she is "humbled by the knowledge of the generous heart of all the donors who make my stay at International House possible. I have spent [only a short time] here, and I absolutely adore the atmosphere. Even a dull morning turns into cheerfulness after greetings and talking with people from every part of the world in corridors, elevators, and the Dining Commons. This [scholarship] gives me inspiration to succeed so that in the future, I am able to help others like you have helped me."



Zareen Cheema and Bonnie Johnston with
Geo and Dorian Bikle at the Diwali dinner

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The generous financial support of I-House alumni and friends enables I-House to make a world of difference in the lives of our 590 residents from 75 countries that currently live under the dome. It is truly inspiring to observe the friendships that develop every day at I-House, which often continue for many years to come. ■



Students Offered Safe Haven *Under the Dome*

In light of ongoing civil strife in other parts of the world and newly imposed travel restrictions, the International House Board of Directors held an in-depth discussion about the implications for international students at UC Berkeley and the ways in which I-House might offer support to international students from countries affected by such barriers.

The realization that I-House has the capability to offer summer housing to UC Berkeley students and scholars who needed assistance has been an affirmation and illustration of the power of a mission embracing peace and understanding.

“...we will remain resolute in upholding International House Berkeley’s inviolable role as a safe and inclusive space for students from the world over to live and learn together without fear that their time as students and scholars will be threatened...”

In response to I-House’s expression of support for students affected by travel restrictions and civil strife, there was a groundswell of support in response from many quarters. Executive Director Hans Giesecke noted: “Barring certain national and religious groups from entering the United States assails our mission of fostering intercultural respect and understanding, lifelong friendships, and leadership skills for the promotion of a more peaceful world. Now more than ever, we will work with our sister International Houses around the world and other globally-oriented organizations to expand our efforts to provide a welcoming place for those seeking scholarly opportunities and the chance to make their lives better in a country where diversity of thought and practice is a cherished value.”

In March 2017, the I-House Board unanimously approved setting aside a number of summer residential rooms and scholarship funds for students whose continued education or research at UC Berkeley might be jeopardized by federal travel restrictions or civil strife in their home countries. The I-House administration asked several UC Berkeley departments and staff to nominate and refer eligible international students who they knew would have difficulty returning to the U.S. if they left the country. The outreach program resulted in eight international students who then received priority summer housing contracts, as well as room and board stipends ranging from 50 to 100 percent of the cost. One of those students was Ahmad Zareei, a Ph.D. candidate in mechanical engineering at UC Berkeley from Iran.



Ahmad Zareei from Iran

Ahmad wrote: “I was in Canada when I heard about the U.S. travel restrictions. As a student from Iran, I was unsure if I could make it back to Cal to finish my Ph.D. I-House generously offered me housing for the summer, which relieved my stress and gave me a fresh start back at school. I felt detached from my community at Berkeley. However, I-House’s heartwarming act of kindness reminded me that I am always welcome in this flourishing and prosperous community, and that humanity is growing, even in challenging times. I am grateful to be at Berkeley and to have I-House as a supportive community for international students.”

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Accessibility at International House

Here at I-House we focus our efforts on overcoming both physical and financial hurdles, fostering community acceptance and exposure to other cultures. Recent renovations and upgrades in our public spaces reflect a growing awareness of the challenges that many members of the Berkeley community face in making their way to our facility, both figuratively and literally.

Our most recent renovation project of providing an access ramp to the Clarence E. Heller Patio has been on the House Committee agenda for many years. The Heller Patio, located next to the Great Hall and below the Dining Commons, is a serene sunken patio area and was one of the last public spaces in I-House that was not accessible to those with mobility challenges. Finding a solution for accessibility without compromising the integrity of the patio delayed construction as a variety of remedies were considered. The new ramp, which was completed and unveiled earlier this fall, resolved logistical concerns by connecting the east wall of the Great Hall to the west side of the patio. This has not only opened up the space for greater resident access, but also increased the capability of the patio as a venue for events.

Another recent project was to create 22 rooms that could be designated as compliant with the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act). There are now three ADA rooms per floor, with five rooms designated on the 3rd and 4th floors. The challenge of maintaining a building of this age and historic character is to ensure that it offers both modern amenities and state-of-the-art accessibility. After ten consecutive years of bathroom and shower renovations that ended in 2012, there are now ADA compliant showers and restroom stalls on every resident floor. We have also upgraded ADA signage on the floors to include braille. All future construction projects will include this kind of signage.

As we maneuver through society in our daily lives, nothing is more important, or more often taken for granted, than access. These projects are part of a renewed commitment to address the needs of our residents and guests while maintaining the integrity of our beautiful 88-year old building. ■

Ribbon cutting by I-House Board Vice Chair Jamy Faulhaber with Executive Director Hans Giesecke at the ramp entrance



Be the One: Radical Inclusion at International House and Beyond



With polarization seemingly everywhere, the topic of inclusion has never been more timely. This is why the Robertson Center for Intercultural Leadership (CIL) chose to lead a session on radical inclusion at the International House Third Annual Global Homecoming held on Sunday, October 22nd. I-House was conceived as an institution of inclusion that brought foreigners, women, and people of color together under the same roof. In honor of this movement, and in light of the negative rhetoric and behavior so prevalent globally, I-House has desired to reignite the mission behind this movement and engage our community in a dialogue about inclusion.

“...we can explore ways in which we can override negative responses, through self-awareness, finding commonalities with others, and developing an appreciation posture...”

Jason Patent, Director of CIL, opened the interactive session by reminding us of the fundamental human need to belong. He emphasized, however, that our brains are wired to perceive differences as a threat, making it inherently challenging to engage with those who are different from us. Despite these challenges, we can explore ways in which we can override negative responses, through self-awareness, finding commonalities with others, and developing an appreciation posture. All of this requires practice.

Patent took attendees on a compassionate journey, recalling our experiences of feeling both excluded and included. Reliving these personal experiences, and hearing others' shared experiences, triggered many feelings in our hearts and minds. We were also compelled to consider times that we excluded others without intending to, and to recollect how

good it felt to feel included. It became clear to us that a sense of belonging leads to increased engagement, innovation, productivity, collaboration, and that it is in everyone's best interest (personally, socially, and organizationally) to strive to make our neighbors, colleagues, and employees feel included.

This journey ignited a stimulating dialogue about what might happen next. The audience was left with the notion that we, as individuals, can make a difference. Consciously recognizing where and how we have power and privilege (organizationally and socially) can be used for the purpose of inclusion. Each of us, at any time, can “be the one” to make a difference for someone by choosing to include. While there is no immediate recipe for success, each time we choose to include, we take a step toward a more unified (but no less diverse) humanity. It is an intentional practice, day in and day out, and sometimes moment in and moment out.

Knowing that any individual can “be the one” instills a sense of hope that, together, we can continue to carry out the I-House mission of fostering a more peaceful world. ■

Global Homecoming 2017 Celebrating Three Years of Intercultural Fun

The dome was bustling with excitement on October 22nd as I-House celebrated its Third Annual Global Homecoming.



This event-filled day included a conversation on radical inclusion, a *Global Table Talk Lunch* with I-House alumni and current residents, I-House tours, and the *Around the World Under the Dome Fashion Show and Tasting Festival*.

Nearly 250 alumni, residents, volunteers, and staff participated in the global merriment.





GLOBAL GATHERINGS

Uhuru Alumni Reunion

Over 40 I-House alumni from 1987-1992 returned to I-House on Saturday, August 5, 2017. Known as the *Uhuru* group (pictured above), these alums and their families traveled far and wide, from India, Jordan, and Florida to gather and reminisce. The name *Uhuru*, meaning “freedom” in Swahili, was chosen to commemorate the friendships forged while living on the 4th and 6th floors of I-House. A wonderful time was had by all, including Executive Director Dr. Hans Giesecke and Executive Director Emeritus Joe Lurie. ■

Gathering in Cambridge



Stuart (IH 1964-66) and Glenda (IH 1965-67) Pawsey visited with former I-House residents, Bryan Webber and his wife Akemi Horie,

in England. They had a great time reminiscing at a local Cambridge pub. ■

Lucerne Dinner with Executive Director Hans Giesecke

Urs Huber and Vivian Waurchoz, officers of The Berkeley Club of Switzerland, enjoyed an



I-House gathering in Lucerne, Switzerland with Executive Director Hans Giesecke. They had a wonderful time sharing stories about I-House and UC Berkeley while enjoying delicious regional cuisine. ■

Host Family Kick-off Reception

The Host Family Program was created to forge memorable relationships between international students and local families through the simple, yet invaluable, gift of hospitality. Over 100 residents, I-House alumni, and community members came to the Host Family Kick-off party in September. It is not too late to sign up if you would like to participate in the program. The commitment is minimal, but the rewards are great. Hosts, residents, and visiting scholars can learn more and apply at ihouse.berkeley.edu/programs/hostfamily.php. ■



The O'Sullivan (IH 2006) with their host student

2017 Cal Day at I-House

Alumni, old friends and families gathered under the dome for Cal Day 2017 in April. They enjoyed tours by Ryan Jones, Director of Admissions, and an international brunch in the renovated Dining Commons. Throughout the day, alumni enjoyed showing their children, some of whom are now incoming freshmen, their favorite rooms and memories of their time at I-House. ■



Shreyas Shah (IH 1983) and family

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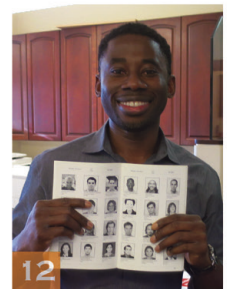
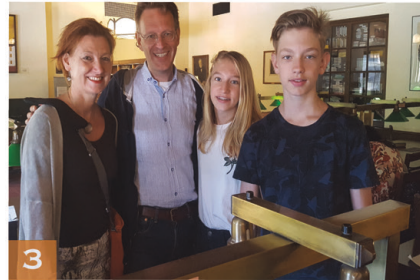
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Back to Berkeley

Look who came to visit!



1. Maud Dupeyrat (IH 2004) and her host mother, Maureen Apter, came back to I-House. They have remained very close after Maud left Berkeley. Maureen even visited Maud in Toulouse, France.

2. Louise and Louis Pasquier (IH 2009-10) met at I-House while they both were exchange students living on the same floor. They wanted to bring their baby to I-House while they were on a U.S. road trip.

3. Frank Van Ommeren (IH 1991) While Frank Van Ommeren was on vacation in San Francisco, he brought his family to I-House to show them where he lived while getting his Ph.D. in constitutional law.

4. Thomas Chalumeau (IH 1990) returned to I-House while in Berkeley for business meetings on campus. "Even though I live in Paris," he stated, "I-House has never left my heart."

5. Inasse Fenjiro (IH 2016-17), a former Resident Council member who served on the Development Committee, was thrilled to return from Spain to show her mom around I-House. They visited Director of Development and Communications Joy Iwasa.

6. Estefan Ramirez Vazquez (IH 2003-05) visited with Angela Rauch, Fundraising and Events Coordinator. He mentioned that when he has an important decision to make, he returns to I-House to feel more grounded.

7. Gwendolyn (Bates) Hickman (IH 1968-69) writes, "We visited I-House with our two French friends whom I met in 1967 when I was on Berkeley's Study Abroad program in Bordeaux, France. One of my friend's fervent wishes was to see I-House, about which I had told her so much. They were astounded by the display of prominent alumni and Nobel Laureates who had lived in I-House, as well as by the beauty of the building. It was a very special visit for all of us."

8. James Sarria (IH 2007-08) visited Larnie Macasieb, Assistant to the Director of Programs, and reminisced about being a program assistant.

9. David Green (IH 1964) and his wife came from Scotland on their way to the wedding of his I-House roommate's daughter.

10. Paul Salz (IH 1950-52) visited I-House with the granddaughter of his close I-House friend, **Arnost Kotyk (IH 1950-52)** from Poland. Finding Arnost's original I-House application and seeing the old room lived in by **Lottie Wallerstein Salz (IH 1947-48)**, Paul's wife, were highlights of the tour.

11. Edward Moradians (IH 1955-56) visited with his daughter and granddaughter. He enjoyed seeing familiar places, but also liked the improvements. They all met with Executive Director Hans Giesecke.

12. Ezechinyerem Uzosike (IH 2003-04) was delighted to find his directory picture from his time at I-House.

Back to Berkeley

Alumni are always welcome to visit their old home under the dome!



13. Gustave Cordahi (IH 2007-08) regularly visits I-House and likes to see his patio brick, which is inscribed: *From Lebanon, Land of the Cedars, Gustave A. Cordahi '07-'08*. Eight years ago, a student asked his advice on what colleges he should attend. Gustave recommended UC Berkeley and living at I-House. During his visit, Gustave ran into that same student in the elevator, who is now a current I-House resident.

14. Sandeep Pandey (IH 1992) visited from India. He is currently co-founder of Asha for Education. He enjoyed meeting with Executive Director Hans Giesecke and seeing *Uhuru* friends (see *Global Gatherings*, p.9).

15. Janet Myers (IH 1964) came back to Berkeley for Homecoming weekend and stayed at I-House. She enjoyed the Cal vs. Arizona football game and attending the I-House Global Homecoming the next day.

16. Stephen Liston (IH 1985-87) brought his son, a UC Berkeley sophomore, to show him where he resided. They enjoyed lunch in the renovated Dining Commons, and his son is looking forward to living at I-House next year.

17. Maria Harbutt (IH 1970-73) (pictured center) is moving back to the Bay Area, and she is looking forward to attending I-House events.

18. Farzad Hashemi (IH 2004-06) (pictured left) enjoyed showing his friend from Iran his old room and favorite places at I-House. He is very proud that he followed in his father's footsteps by living at I-House. His father, **Homayoun Hashemi**, lived here in 1974.

19. Katia Moles (IH 2009-12) brought Japanese exchange students to I-House for a building tour and lunch in the Dining Commons. She teaches *Introduction to U.S. Society and Culture* at the Graduate Theological Union. She always enjoys revisiting her old stomping grounds, where she worked as a resident assistant. She plans to continue bringing student cohorts to I-House every semester.

20. Alberto Benotti (IH 1992) visited from Italy and had to show Berkeley and I-House to his family. He truly loved his time here and hopes that his sons will follow in his footsteps and attend UC Berkeley and live at I-House.

21. & 22. Tahir Masood (IH 1987-89) was excited to visit from Pakistan and show his family where he lived and studied. He was very proud that he was one of the first event assistants ever hired. He remembers mopping floors in the Chevron Auditorium after the I-House dances and being in charge of the resident group picture on the I-House front steps. Shown in the photo above, are I-House residents on the front steps in 1987. In honor of his wonderful memories here, he named his engineering firm *Berkeley Associates*.

Alumni News & Notes

1940s

Ambassador Irving Tragen
(IH 1943-47)



Irving Tragen met with former I-House staff member Jerome Nelson at the Museo de las Americas in Denver, Colorado, and visited the wing that contains donated items by Irving and his late wife, Ellie.

Christopher Knopf
(IH 1948-50) writes,

“I am currently retired with a pack full of memories, of which I-House rates front and center. As for me professionally, 50

years writing for motion pictures and TV; President of the Writers Guild of America West, 1965-67; National Chairman of the Writers Guild East and West, 1967-69; 70 TV plays and 13 movies. I was lucky enough to score a few awards. I also produced a play and published four books through Bear Manor Media out of Atlanta, Georgia.”



1950s

Linda Jay (IH 1959-60) writes, “I started my career as an advertising copywriter, first in the trade book department of Little, Brown Publishers, and then in the college textbook department of Houghton Mifflin, both in Boston. Nowadays, I edit book manuscripts and write national magazine profiles and feature stories,

website text, blog posts, back jacket copy for books, and PR material of all types.” See Linda’s website at wordsbylj.com for more information.

1960s

Judy Hawthorne (IH 1960-64) writes, “My girlfriend, Tamara, and I attended classes in Berkeley for four years. We hail from British Columbia, Canada—therefore international students of sorts. How we enjoyed our little room on the 8th floor. International House was so good to us. From the excellent food, congenial staff, and wonderful fellow students. One year was the soccer World Cup, and we really got into the swing of things with the different nationalities watching the soccer matches day and night. I loved my classes, the beautiful campus, and particularly enjoyed roaming over the hills and viewing the bay. Oh, such memories! Thanks to I-House, I was able to afford the accommodations.”

Margot S. Lansing (IH 1965-68)

writes, “I am in the pro-bono stage of my career, having worked with colleges and universities in various capacities. I am now co-director of Wellesley Connects (wellesleyconnects.com), a mentoring program for first generation college-bound students to assist them with the college application process. We are working with Wellesley High School, helping primarily non-native speakers of English.”

Lila Rayol (IH 1966) writes, “It is always refreshing and reassuring to learn how many more students will benefit from this very special atmosphere—a special part of my best moments as a student and a recipient of a U.S. Agency for International Development Scholarship back in 1966. God bless all of you who keep I-House a memorable part of UC Berkeley.”

Leandro B. Fernandez Sainz, Ph.D.

(IH 1968-70) is now with CEPADE (Polytechnic University of Madrid) as a consultant in engineering and high speed evaluator.



1970s

Christopher D. Barry (IH 1971-72)

writes, “I was at I-House as a resident for several summers and during the 1971-72 academic year. I also worked in the cafeteria until I graduated in 1974. I have been in Maryland, at the Coast Guard Surface Forces Logistics Center, working as a naval architect since 1992. Previously, I was in commercial naval architecture and the offshore oil industry in San Francisco, San Diego, Seattle, and London. Most recently, I was made a fellow of SNAME (The Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineering).”



Kate Harrison
(IH 1977-79)

was elected to the Berkeley City Council in March of this year in a special election. Kate represents the 4th District, which includes downtown

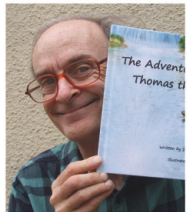
Berkeley, and is working on addressing Berkeley’s housing, criminal justice, and environmental issues. Active in campus and local politics while at I-House, her election confirms the views of her I-House friends that printed up “Kate Harrison for President” buttons back in 1978. Kate’s years in I-House strongly benefited her previous consulting career, working on projects to improve access to justice in foreign countries for projects for the World Bank and the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID).

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Michel Lapidus (IH 1979-80) became a distinguished professor of mathematics at the university of California, Riverside in July 2016.

Leland Peterson (IH 1970-72) is now chairman of The Museum Trustee Association, which provides programs and services that support museum trustees in their roles throughout the United States and the Americas. He also serves as treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Heard Museum in Arizona.

Stuart Samuel (IH 1975) has written *The Adventure of Thomas the Turtle*, a children's



book for four to nine year-olds. Stuart created the story several years ago for his daughter who was age seven at the time. Stuart is a retired physics professor (previously at Columbia University and CCNY) and currently lives in Piedmont, California with his wife. His son just started his second year in computer science at UC Berkeley.

Deborah (Seidl) Sipe (IH 1971-72) writes, "I had a great experience at I-House! I currently serve as Dean of Teaching and Learning at Chemeketa Community College in Salem, Oregon. I received my Ph.D. in higher education leadership from Oregon State University in 2015. A recent publication, *International Education at Community Colleges*, includes a chapter I wrote concerning internationalization efforts at community colleges in the Pacific Northwest. My husband and I live in Portland and celebrated our 40th anniversary this year. We have two wonderful grown children."

Sharon Smith (IH 1972-73) writes, "Ellen Purcell (IH 1972) and I met at I-House the fall of 1972. We have written, visited, and spoken regularly since that time. True friendship is precious. My time

at Berkeley and I-House blessed me with Ellen's friendship."

1980s

Sunil Kanwar (IH 1987-88) writes, "I-House came as a breath of fresh air – a bunch of intelligent, erudite, cultured, and some highly talented and interesting individuals, thrown together. Supper hours from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. were at first unusual, but I quickly adjusted; the well-topped bowl of multiple flavors of all-you-can-eat ice cream being something I looked forward to. Coffee Hour on Wednesday nights in the Great Hall, with plenty of cookies as well, was a welcome break, especially during winter." For his complete story, please visit ihouse.berkeley.edu/stories.

Kathleen Kennedy (IH 1984-86) writes,



"Six of us who lived at International House between 1984 and 1985 gathered in Wilmington, Delaware on June 10, 2017 to celebrate the Bat Mitzvah of the daughter of fellow alum Michael Beals. What an event it was! I-House alumni pictured from left: **Giorgio Casinovi**, who now lives in Atlanta; **Bruno and Marie Moatti** of Paris; **Kathleen Kennedy** from San Francisco; **Michael Beals** of Wilmington; and **Rosie Ashamalla** from Los Angeles. On the far right is Elsa Moatti, Bruno and Marie's delightful daughter. It was very special to spend the weekend with some of our International House friends. We love I-House!"

Wil Wong (IH 1987) writes, "My time at I-House was truly a positive time for

me. I-House had the best food options; even for plant-based eaters. And there was an openness at I-House with a sense of acceptance and everyone truly embraced the tenets of the I-House mission. Everyone at I-House was very smart and very personable. I loved the front desk staff and events in the Great Hall. I remember we would hang out a lot and then take a study break to actually study. We also enjoyed hanging out at the I-House Café and playing many rounds of ping pong." For his complete story, visit the I-House Stories site at ihouse.berkeley.edu/stories.

1990s

Erin Andrews (IH 1988-91) opened the first "bean to bar" chocolate factory in Pike Place Market in Seattle this summer. She founded *indi chocolate* in 2008 and travels the world looking for great tasting cacao to make her chocolate. If any I-House folks know good cacao farmers, please let Erin know. Visit indichocolate.com for details and Erin's contact info.

2000s

Laurent Desbois (2004-05) shared the following memory of living at I-House: "One night, my Japanese roommate, Takeshi, answered the phone in our room at around 3:00 a.m. Clearly, he couldn't understand what the other person was saying. I could also guess that the caller was also clueless with Takeshi speaking in broken English. It was my mother calling from France to tell me that a company had been trying to get in touch with me for weeks because they had a job offer for me! If Takeshi had not answered the phone, I wouldn't have been able to pursue the career I have been enjoying for the past 12 years! I-House is definitely about life learning experiences such as love, friendship, and tolerance. A place I will always call home."

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2010s

Rishika Sinha (IH 2016-17) writes, “I lived at I-House during my glorious days of my master’s program in bioengineering. I-House is a different world altogether, and I am glad I could live here for a year and imbibe in all that it had to offer in terms of the excellent intercultural exposure, amazing dining, intercultural education, and lots of events! I am currently a production release engineer with Proteus Digital Health, and I am so excited about all the cool stuff going on in healthcare!”



Rachel Spiegel & Jens Kristian Holmen (IH 2010-11)

Rachel Spiegel and Jens Kristian Holmen were married on August 19th in Scott’s Valley, California. The marriage proposal happened on the steps in front of the I-House Café, where they first met! As a gift, friends from I-House dedicated a brick on the patio in honor of their marriage, with the inscription: *#GoBigOrGoHolmen Rachel Spiegel & Jens Holmen, 2017*. Rachel writes, “Thank you I-House for the wonderful memories and for bringing us together.”



Andreas Gross (IH 2010-11)

When Andreas was married in Frankfurt, Germany, eight of his I-House friends from Europe and Asia were there and made a six-day I-House reunion out of the occasion. They enjoyed visiting the medieval town of Heidelberg and celebrating the wedding in Gau-Heppenheim’s Vineyards. Pictured from left (IH 2010-11 alumni in bold): **Cynthia Or, Laura Beattie, Lynn Hiel, Karin Vernooij, Nicola W., Ivy Chu, Mary Gross, Andreas Gross, Peter Thomas, Fredrik Olovsson, Joël Thai.**



Joël Thai (IH 2010-11) writes, “Five of us had a

reunion in Majorca. We went to the beach, ate delicious Spanish food, danced, and enjoyed the beautiful island and sunny weather.” Alumni pictured from left: **Alberto Torro, Flavia Marisi, Joël Thai, Lisa Andresen, and Germán Macias, Jr.**

Louis van Roessel (IH 2012)

After being an attorney for three and a half years with De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek, Louis has decided to leave the challenges of the legal world behind him, and will take his next steps in the tech world. In December 2017, he will start working for ISM eCompany as product owner for one of their e-commerce products, Sana Commerce, where he will function as the link between the programmers on the one hand, and the rest of the company and clients on the other.



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Joe Lurie, I-House Executive Director Emeritus, will be the featured lecturer on a Cal Discovery Tour through the Basque region of France and Spain in May 2018. More details at: alumni.berkeley.edu/travel/cal-discoveries/europe/



Staff Transitions

January 1 - October 31, 2017

Welcome New Staff

Melissa Chan - *Development and Prospect Research Analyst*
Jeff Gill - *Payroll Analyst*
Gemma Givens - *Front Desk Operations Coordinator*
Bill Gong - *Director of Business and Finance*
Curtis Hall - *Custodian*
Allison Harrisingh - *Events Coordinator*
Roxanne Heglar - *Assistant Director of Admissions*
Billy Hudson III - *Custodian*
Jenny Miner - *Program Coordinator*
Angela Rauch - *Fundraising and Events Coordinator*

Thanks and Farewell

Shylah Hamilton - *Assistant Director of Admissions*
Bobby Henderson - *Custodian*
Hirona Hono - *Intercultural Training Specialist, CIL*
Salvador Lares - *Custodian*
Teresa Magallón - *Development Associate*
Giovanni Morisco - *Catering Team Lead*
Breidi Truscott Roberts - *Intercultural Training Specialist, CIL*
Nicole Tuscher - *Front Desk Operations Coordinator*
Shanell Williams - *Payroll Analyst*

In Memory

1940s

Alan Robert Cerf (IH 1943-44)

August 24, 2017



Accounting professor Alan Robert Cerf, who taught more than 13,000 students over 62 years at the Haas School of Business, died of natural causes at the age of 93 at his home in Piedmont,

California. Alan held prestigious positions and received several key honors at UC Berkeley. He served as chairman of the school's Accounting Group from 1978 to 1982, and he was the first director of UC Berkeley's San Francisco MBA program. In 1984, he received the Faculty Excellence Award for Teaching and Research from the California CPA Foundation.

Lorraine Fletcher Elliott (IH 1947-49)

January 4, 2017



Lorraine Fletcher Elliott died peacefully at the age of 93 in her home in Point Richmond, California. Lorraine attended graduate school at UC Berkeley, where she greatly enjoyed living

in International House. She worked for a number of years as a food chemist, first in San Francisco and then at the Western Regional Research Center in Albany, California, doing research into food production, processing, and safety. She held several patents on food processing techniques. Lorraine and her husband Roy enjoyed many weekends entertaining friends at their cattle ranch on top of Sonoma Mountain.

Mary Ann "Quack" Fisher (IH 1947-48)

February 18, 2017

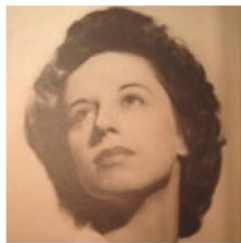


Mary Ann Fisher was born in New York, the only child in a naval family. Her maiden name, Quackenbush, gave her the lifelong nickname of "Quack."

The lives of Quack and her husband, Galen, and their children (Cory and Reid) were filled with many dear friends from I-House. Visits by friends from near and far, as well as the weekly gatherings of the "Wednesday Nighters" to talk and eat, were high points of her life and were a direct outcome of I-House. Quack put her background in Latin American studies and Spanish to work as a researcher at the Bancroft Library for years and delighted us all with her art and dry wit. Read her I-House memories in *The Golden Age of International House Berkeley* book, available at ihouse.berkeley.edu/alumni/store.php.

Evelyn Phillips Kaplan (IH 1948-51)

October 4, 2016



Born Isabelle Evelyn Phillips in Cobourg, Ontario, Canada, Evelyn graduated from the University of Western Ontario in 1946 with a

master's degree focusing on French and German. After moving to the United States, she went on to study at UC Berkeley, where she lived at I-House and met her husband Kenneth Kaplan.

Marian Diamond (IH 1949-52)

July 25, 2017

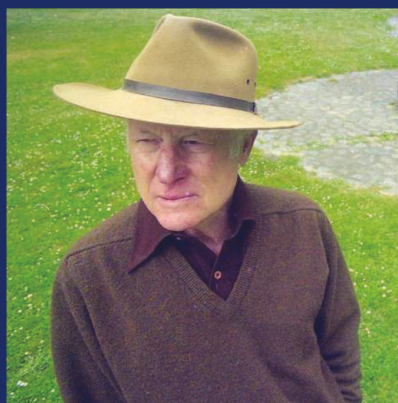


Marian Cleaves Diamond, who died at the age of 90 at her home in Oakland, was world-renowned for her groundbreaking discoveries, including the impact on brain development of an enriched environment. Professor Diamond started her love affair with the brain as the first female student in UC Berkeley's Department of Anatomy in 1948. During her time as a Ph.D. candidate, Dr. Diamond discovered her passion for teaching. 55 years and more than 60,000 students later, Dr. Diamond's lectures remain some of the most revelatory ever presented at UC Berkeley. She would begin every year the same—by pulling a real, pickled brain out of her trademark hat box. Now a YouTube sensation, her lectures have been viewed almost one million times by eager learners around the world. Her life was chronicled in a PBS documentary, *My Love Affair with the Brain: The Life and Science of Dr. Marian Diamond*. In conjunction with the national broadcast, the City of Berkeley proclaimed March 14th to be *Marian Diamond Day*.

At our 2016 I-House Gala, Marian Diamond was honored with the I-House Alumni Faculty Award for advancing the principles of International House every day.

In Memory

Harold “Hal” Gilliam (IH 1941-42)
December 14, 2016



Hal Gilliam, one of the first environmental journalists in the country, author of newspaper columns, and eleven books on the natural world of the Bay Area, died in San Francisco at the age of 98. Hal served on the I-House Board of Directors in the 1970s, and wrote “A Global House for a Global Age,” a moving piece about I-House for the *San Francisco Chronicle*. He wrote an article about living at I-House during the Pearl Harbor attack, which is included in the I-House publication, *Close Encounters of a Cross-Cultural Kind*. He also appeared in *The Visionaries*, a PBS documentary about I-House that aired back in 2001-02. Hal is featured on our Notable Alumni page for his work in journalism.

His son, **David Gilliam (IH 1982-85)**, worked in the Program Office between 2005 and 2013. Hal’s wife, Ann, died in 2002, followed by his elder son, Gregory, who was mentally disabled, in 2009. Hal devoted himself to the charitable causes of both mental illness and the environment.

Harold “Hal” Kerber (IH 1946-47)
January 27, 2017



As an undergraduate, Hal Kerber attended UC Berkeley when he was in the Naval Reserve. He interrupted his studies during WWII to serve as a lieutenant on a submarine in the Pacific. When the war ended, Hal resumed his studies at UC Berkeley and graduated with a bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering. Hal was employed by Goodyear Aerospace in Akron, Ohio as an engineering research and development manager. Hal would often return to I-House to attend a week-long lecture series addressing major current issues.

Marvin Joseph Wolf (IH 1946-48)
December 8, 2016



Marvin Wolf studied civil engineering at UC Berkeley. His schooling was interrupted in 1943 by WWII, and he served in the U.S. Army in both the European and Pacific theaters. He returned to Berkeley in 1946 to resume his studies. Throughout his life, he volunteered for many community, professional, and religious organizations. An engineer to the core, Marvin prided himself on never getting lost and never being late.

1950s

Kozo Yamamura (IH 1956-57)
February 15, 2017



Kozo Yamamura graduated from UC Berkeley in 1957. He then secured his American citizenship by enlisting in the

army—where he was immediately given a role in military intelligence in France. He then gained a Ph.D. in economics at Northwestern University (1963). An expert on Japanese and comparative economic history, Kozo wrote *The Postwar Economic Policy of Japan* (1967), and co-edited with Yasukichi Yasuba the first of a three-volume survey of *The Political Economy of Japan* (1987). His final book, published earlier this year, was the polemic *Too Much Stuff: Capitalism in Crisis*.

1960s

Takeshi Ueda (IH 1967-68)
April 7, 2017

Takeshi Ueda, who received an MBA from Haas Business School in 1969, passed away on April 7, 2017 in Tokyo, Japan. He was the managing director and president of Japan Angel Capital Corporation and managing director of UTP.

Jane Marvin Whitner (IH 1960-66)
January 3, 2017



After high school, Jane Whitner attended San Jose State College, where she earned her bachelor’s degree, and then went to UC Berkeley, where she lived at I-House

while she earned her master’s degree. Her business career was mostly spent working as a computer programmer in the field of biostatistics for both public and private companies. Most important to Jane was the fact that in spite of having severe cerebral palsy, she managed to live independently in her own apartment until her very last moments. She died peacefully in her sleep with family at her side.

In Memory

Friends

Martin Huff

December 29, 2016

During WWII, Martin Huff sailed in the Merchant Marine. He attended UC Berkeley (B.S. business administration) and California State University, Sacramento (M.A. government). Martin had a passion for politics, stamp collecting, travel, and words. In 2000, Martin and his wife, Anne, moved to Piedmont Gardens in Oakland. He became Resident Council president of Piedmont Gardens in 2005.



Nancy Mel

July 8, 2017

Nancy Mel earned a teaching credential at UC Berkeley, then taught in elementary schools in Berkeley, Modesto, and Albany, California. She had an extraordinary partnership with her husband, **Howard Mel (IH 1943-45)**, a UC Berkeley professor emeritus of biophysics. In addition to being loving parents of three children, Nancy and Howard climbed peaks in the Sierra, navigated the trails of Bhutan and the "Stans" of Central Asia, traveled on the Trans-Siberian Railway, and had rare adventures through North Korea and the Far East. Howard, along with Betty Helmholtz, chaired a fundraising campaign in 2007 to honor Howard's former physics dean, Carl Helmholtz, and helped establish the Carl and Betty Helmholtz Gateway Fellowship at I-House.



Dianne Walker

October 2, 2017

Friends, neighbors, and colleagues remember Dianne Walker as a compassionate activist, mentor, and friend. She became interested in refugee-related issues in the 1970s. Dianne also worked for more than 25 years in information technology at International House and in the office of the chief information officer at UC Berkeley. In her time on campus, Dianne started the Web Accessibility Initiative, which works to make all campus websites and web applications accessible to people with disabilities.



Gifts in Memory: December 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017

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Grace Cavallaro

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Mary Ann (Quack) Fisher

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Marlene De Lancie

Wilma Horwitz

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Kozo Yamamura

Glennys Young

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Catherina Paolino

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