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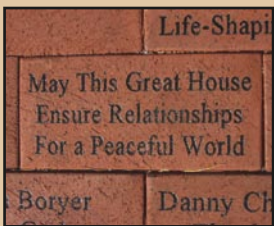
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JOE LURIE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ANNOUNCES DEPARTURE IN JUNE 2007

After nearly nineteen years of service as the third Executive Director in International House's history, Joe Lurie announced in July that in June of 2007 he will step down from his post to pursue new adventures. Said Mr. Lurie, "I'm interested in perhaps exploring the foundation world of philanthropy, or another area that will have a positive impact on people's lives." Martha Hertelendy, Vice-President of the Board of Directors, indicated that the news was accepted "...with regret, but also with tremendous appreciation for the leadership and dedication Joe has shown in serving International House for nearly two decades."

Mr. Lurie accepted his position in 1988 after Sheridan Warrick, the House's second director, who served 27 years from 1961 to 1987, stepped down. He was selected from among 185 applicants for the unique range of strengths he brought to the post: direct personal experience as a Peace Corps volunteer in Kenya for three years; professional background in major leadership positions with a variety of distinguished international exchange organizations, including AFS International and NAFSA: Association

of International Educators; director of overseas academic programs in Ghana and France for the Experiment in International Living; and author of several publications on cross-cultural issues. Fluent in French and Swahili, Joe's appreciation for the mission of I-House was and is enhanced by his status as spouse to Donna Rosenthal, I-House Berkeley alumna (IH 1968-70).



Joe Lurie with his wife Donna Rosenthal (IH 1968-70) at the 2006 Awards Celebration and Gala

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IRAQ, LEBANON, NEW ORLEANS: I-HOUSE AS A REFUGE

by Omar Fekeiki, resident and former Washington Post Special Correspondent, Baghdad

Moving into International House this fall, I found myself the only Iraqi student among more than 550 new residents.

Although my personal story, like anyone's, is unique, I've come to recognize that today and throughout the history of I-House, thousands of students like me have found this place to be much more than a temporary home during their University studies, but a refuge. A refuge with priceless cross-cultural dimensions.



Residents, Omar Fekeiki (left) and Fulvio Paolucci from Iraq and Italy respectively, are graduate students in Journalism.

The Webster's dictionary defines refuge as follows: 1) shelter or protection from danger, trouble, etc. (to take refuge from a storm). 2) a place of shelter, protection, or safety. 3) anything to which one has recourse for aid, relief, or escape.

A year ago, three residents of New Orleans literally took refuge from a storm at I-House, leaving Tulane University in the wake of Hurricane Katrina and, like me, benefiting from I-House scholarships. One of these students, Rebecca Olson, at the time remarked, "It has been a wonderful experience, under the circumstances, to be around people who are all away from their homes." Her words resonate with me, knowing that I am not alone in leaving my family behind in a place where I worry for their well-being. My own family remains in Baghdad.

For the three years prior to arriving here, I worked for the Baghdad office of the *Washington Post* as office manager and main Iraqi reporter. Although it was an exciting job and an advantage for me when jobs were scarce, it did come with a price that included death threats. The last one I

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75TH ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN ENTERS HOMESTRETCH

As of October 1, 2006, I-House was \$800,000 short of securing a \$500,000 challenge grant from the Kresge Foundation. When successful, the campaign will have secured \$10M for four key areas of operation: preservation of the building, provision of scholarships, support for inter-cultural programs, and funds for technology and communications resources in service to the House's mission.

"This is really a turning point for International House," says Joe Lurie, Executive Director. "This effort has been shaped by more than five years of planning and implementation by the Board of Directors and through the involvement of alumni and supporters that literally span the globe. When complete, we'll have ensured that the last 20% of the House that had yet to be renovated is attended to, including important safety upgrades and improvements that benefit residents with disabilities. We'll also have made

certain that scholarship, program, and technology resources will continue to benefit new generations of residents."

To date, the 75th Anniversary Campaign has been supported by 1,953 alumni and friends, 59 corporations and 22 foundations, who have given a total of 2,034 gifts. The campaign has also fostered new linkages between current residents and alumni through the resident room naming project (see article page 2), scholarship donors who have interacted with residents they support, and through reunion and celebration events held in Taiwan, Paris, Los Angeles, London, Los Angeles, Milan, New York, Singapore, Melbourne, Tokyo and Berkeley.

If the \$500,000 Kresge challenge grant is secured, it will be the largest foundation grant in the history of I-House. Ongoing campaign updates are available on our website at <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/alumni>.

FIRE IS SEVENTH I-HOUSE NOBEL PRIZE WINNER

The Nobel Prize in Medicine for 2006 has been awarded to Andrew Fire, I-House alumnus 1977-78. Announced October 2, 2006, the award is shared with Fire's colleague, Craig Mello, in recognition of their research surrounding how organisms control the flow of genetic information. The two men discovered RNA interference, which can cause the silencing of specific genes under certain conditions. The award of \$1.37 million will be shared between the two awardees.



Nobel Laureate Andrew Fire
(IH 1977-78)

Mr. Fire is the seventh I-House alumnus to win the Nobel Prize. Other prizes winners include: Melvin Calvin for Chemistry in 1961 (IH 1937-38); Owen Chamberlain for Physics in 1959 (IH 1940-41); Willis Lamb for Physics in 1955 (IH 1930-38); Julian Schwinger for Physics in 1965 (IH 1939-40); Glenn Seaborg for Chemistry in 1951 (IH 1934-35 non-resident member); Sir Geoffrey Wilkinson for Chemistry in 1973 (IH 1946-50).

I-HOUSE ANNIVERSARY THE TOAST OF TOKYO

One hundred and fifty alumni and friends of I-House and UC Berkeley gathered for a special reception June 16, 2006, in Tokyo honoring the House's 75th Anniversary as part of the annual meeting of the UC Berkeley Japan Alumni Association.

Dr. Sadako Ogata, former United Nations Commissioner for Refugees (1991-2000) and I-House alumna (1956-57), attended the special occasion and provided a keynote address reflecting on the influence of International House on her personal and professional development as well as sharing insights into her leadership role in the U.N., and in continuing to advance human rights and refugee assistance.

Citing her I-House experience, Dr. Ogata shared, "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 a direct eye opening experience.... [I-House] made sure we [young scholars] exposed ourselves to diverse cultures... and this is something that still requires a lot of continued reinforcement—maybe even more so today when the world seems to be a little bit less open."



Featured speaker, Dr. Sadako Ogata, former UN High Commissioner for Refugees (Center), with Martha Hertelendy and Joe Lurie.

A delegation from I-House was in attendance including Executive Director Joe Lurie, Vice President of the Board of Directors Martha Hertelendy, Board Member Steve Matsuura, and Alumni Relations Director Shanti Corrigan.

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VOICES AND VISIONS OF HOPE

By now the news of my upcoming departure in June 2007, after nearly twenty years, has reached many alumni and friends. While of course it will be wonderful to have an opportunity to try my hand at something else, I will always remain connected to the House in other ways. In the meantime, I look forward to tackling the important challenges that face the House in the coming months. The urgent demands of International House and our 570 new residents occupy my thoughts these days, and I wanted to share my own perspective on some recent events within the I-House community which you will read about in this issue of the *I-House Times*:

Meeting Dr. Sadako Ogata at our 75th Anniversary Celebration in Tokyo, Japan this June was among many special highlights of my tenure as I-House Executive Director. While the House has many notable alumni of whom to be proud, meeting Dr. Ogata and discussing her years of service to the United Nations as High Commissioner for Refugees, as well as the impact I-House had on her personal and professional development, was quite moving. This meeting took place less than a year after the House hosted an Anniversary event at the United Nations in New York to honor our 2005 Alumnus of the Year, Jan Egeland. His ongoing service as U.N. Under-Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator continues to impress upon me how timeless the purposes of I-House remain. That the International House experience is cited by both of these prominent U.N. leaders as an important component of their education and efforts to build bridges among nations and serve the world’s most needy communities is no coincidence. The survey enclosed in this issue will help I-House better qualify the impact of our work beyond the overwhelming anecdotal evidence we have collected through the decades. I hope you will take a moment to complete this to help guide the House’s future.

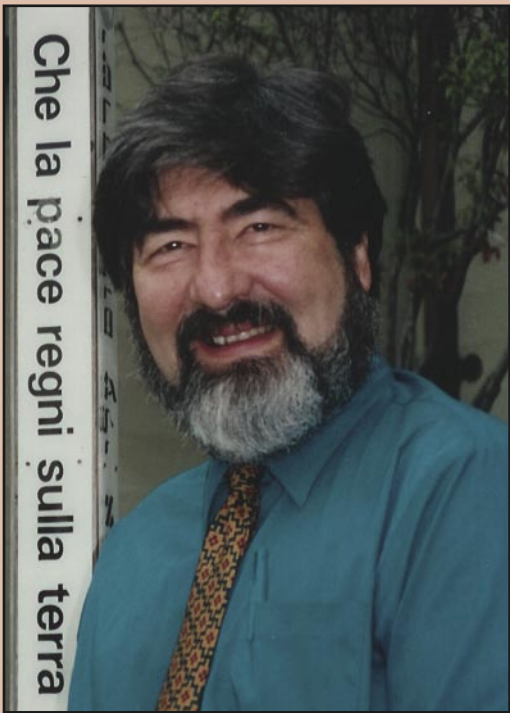
Just as Dr. Ogata devoted years of her career to assisting refugees, International House continues to serve as an important refuge for people from many nations, as current resident Omar Fekeiki describes in his article on page 1. The caliber of residents like Omar, who comes to us as an experienced correspondent for the *Washington Post*, never ceases to amaze me. I have no doubt that many of the students traversing our halls in these fall months of 2006 may also find themselves upon the world stage in years to come.

Within the House, many facility improvements are taking shape as a result of our 75th Anniversary Campaign and the critical facility upgrades it is helping to realize. Renovations to restrooms throughout the building are helping improve services for residents and visitors with disabilities while replacing infrastructure that was dangerously near the end of its lifespan. Crossing the recently refurbished I-House patio and reading the names of so many alumni and friends who have supported this effort, as well as the plaques now being mounted outside many named resident rooms, is an inspiration as we look to conclude a campaign that has been more than five years in the planning and making.

Steven Rockefeller was eloquent in his remarks at our 2006 Gala. He said, “The building of a multicultural global community is humanity’s ultimate social and political challenge. In the 21st century, meeting this challenge has become essential to human survival... The mutual respect and cross-cultural dialogue promoted by International House are fundamental to achieving this goal....Pessimists and political realists may tell us that ideals and ethics have no place in international affairs. However, it is the struggle to realize the ideal—what is true, good, and beautiful—that gives history and our individual lives their deeper meaning.”

The history of International House does shine as a beacon of hope in a world now clouded by war, religious tensions and severe humanitarian and ecological disasters. And I do believe there is “a deeper meaning,” as Mr. Rockefeller cites, to the informal discussions that arise over the dining hall tables or during more formal cross-cultural programs, and while folding laundry and brushing teeth in this House that unites our global community under one dome. With your help, our 75th Anniversary Campaign is poised to succeed if we can stretch a bit further to secure the tremendous opportunity provided by The Kresge Challenge. I thank all of you for your support and for the ways in which you carry the deeper meaning of the I-House purpose into your own daily lives.

Joseph Lunde



NAMED ROOMS DEBUT IN FALL 2006

Residents arriving at I-House in the fall of 2006 from around the world are, for the first time, moving into resident rooms that are formally designated with plaques honoring House alumni and friends.

The first commemorative plaque was established outside room 495 and alumna and donor Jeanne Griffith (IH 1952-54) was present for the installation. Also present was current room 495 resident, Thomas Pfeiffer, a visiting scholar at Haas School of Business from Germany. Jeanne’s former room carries both her name and that of her late husband Ladd, whom she met at International House.

“It’s a great idea,” said Thomas, when he met Jeanne, commenting on how unusual it was to get to meet someone who lived in his same room nearly fifty years prior. He provided Jeanne with a tour of her former room, although a quick one, given the relatively cozy dimensions of private rooms. “I remember the room and the view from the window,” said Jeanne, who used to talk with Ladd from their respective windows when they resided around the corner of the fourth floor from one another.

The Room-Naming Project of the 75th Anniversary Campaign has already inspired over 20 alumni and friends to dedicate resident rooms in memory of a loved one or in recognition of their own time at I-House. Supporters of the Room-Naming Project enable essential House renovation projects to move forward while leaving a permanent mark on the halls of the House.

Another plaque installed naming room 81T this fall honors former resident Ron Olson (IH 1959-62), currently living in Brazil, who recently established a generous bequest toward the 75th Anniversary Campaign. Mr. Olson still maintains contact with many I-House friends whom he reconnects with each year in the US around Thanksgiving.

The heartfelt sentiments of Mrs. Griffith and Mr. Olson, along with dedications from other alumni and friends, will adorn the halls of the residential floors and become a part of the lives of current residents. By integrating a sense of the past in the I-House of the present, we hope to help today’s students appreciate the alumni who have been the heart of I-House throughout its seventy-five years.

I-HOUSE AS A REFUGE

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received was in mid-June. At the time, I knew I would be attending Cal as a graduate student in Journalism, but my situation was unresolved and I had few financial resources to afford rent or fees in Berkeley or I-House. A few weeks later I fled Iraq to Jordan, and an e-mail from the *Post* and the J-School told me my new home would be at International House.

Arriving here I noticed at the beginning of one hallway in the fourth floor a sign welcoming visitors to “Lebanon Street.” Seven Lebanese residents share four rooms in this hallway, the doors festooned with Lebanese flags. I was told even more Lebanese students had stayed in the House over the summer, unable to return home given the violence erupting in their native country. The hallway is a place they can gather together and, with other residents, tell jokes and share daily life stories to overcome the feeling of homesickness. Ramzi Younis, a Lebanese engineering student who has hand made his native flag and displayed it on his door, told me he’s made so many I-House friends that he can’t keep count. “This place is so international...” he remarked. I know he shares the same experience I do in being struck by the diversity of residents all around us.

The opportunity the House presents to encounter so many people from all walks of life in every country is remarkable. “You don’t need to travel for 20 years,” says my new friend Fulvio Paolocci, an Italian resident, “you just sit and they all come to you.” It is fun to be talking to different people and enjoying food from different cuisines without having to pay for airfare, guides or drag luggage around airports and train stations.

As an Iraqi, traveling around the world isn’t easy. It is very hard to get a visa to almost any country in the world. My only chance to meet people from other parts of the world has been to coincidentally be in a place where foreigners are. Other than meeting fellow journalists in Iraq, it was almost impossible to meet more foreigners. Here I have a visa to dozens of countries, metaphorically speaking. The neighbor on the right side of my room is German, on the left is Korean, and opposite my room are American and Taiwanese roommates.

Given the Iran-Iraq eight-year-long military conflict in the 1980s, I’ve never had the chance to meet Iranians. Here, I’ve met two of the three Iranians living in I-House. It is a great chance to exchange thoughts on our different understandings of the war between our countries. In the 1980s, we didn’t have full access to information about the war and casualties. I’ve learned so much from them and we’ve answered for one another several questions about the war that we’ve had for a long time.

Paolocci, an Italian resident, has become one of the best friends I’ve made in Berkeley. He takes a big burden off my chest when I talk to him. Without him, the news from home could depress me to the point I could stop functioning. Because I have a new friend, now when I feel down, I call Paolocci and meet him at the I-House café. We talk almost every night.

I do wish there were more Iraqi residents at the House. I don’t have country mates like Younis from Lebanon to share stories from home with and I would like other Iraqis to experience life here. I am, however, treasuring the opportunities I-House has presented, and the sense of shared safe harbor in a world that is, in so many parts of our planet, troubled. Though I am alone among my countrymen here, I am not alone. I am a resident of International House—my international refuge and home.



Jeanne Griffith (IH 1952-54) holds the House plaque dedicating her former room in honor of her and her late husband Ladd Griffith (IH 1952-55) with room 495’s current occupant, Thomas Pfeiffer of Germany.



Ron Olson (IH 1959-62), top left, pictured with fellow alumni from his I-House years. Mr. Olson’s former room #81T has been dedicated in his honor in recognition of 75th Anniversary support.

CAFÉ PATIO REFURBISHED WITH DONOR BRICKS AND BENCHES

The outdoor terrace adjacent to the International House Café has recently been refurbished thanks to bricks and benches contributed by donors to the Architectural Heritage fund of the House’s 75th Anniversary Campaign. These contributions are working to support much more extensive renovation work inside the house to address upgrades to original plumbing and ventilation systems at the end of their lifespan, while improving amenities for students and visitors with disabilities.

Over 160 bricks have been “sold,” enabling contributors of \$500 or more to create personal inscriptions for this popular site for residents and the general public. In addition, new benches have been dedicated, some as “loveseats” by I-House couples, through contributions of \$5,000 or more.

Among the initial set of installed bricks was the first dedicated by a current resident. A master’s student in design/visual studies originally from Santa Cruz, California, inscribed his brick “Thanks to I-House, 2004-2007...Nathaniel Rice.” Current residents may dedicate bricks at a reduced \$300 level that correlates to room deposit fees.

Nathaniel’s brick lies not far from “Hooray for Breakfast, in October, 1958, Pat & Ken Taylor,” a brick like dozens of others commemorating the union of couples who met at I-House. Also nearby are two bricks bought by long-time residents who moved on from I-House this year: Alberto Di Minin from Italy and Zofia Rybkowski, an American who came to I-House after living in Japan and Hong Kong for 10 years. Zofia, who dedicated her brick to her “inspiring parents,” had this to say: “This is an institution whose values I believe in, and I wanted also to thank my parents, who raised me with very similar values.”

New donor bricks will be added to the patio periodically as they are received. A grid for contributors to identify where their brick is placed is posted online at <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/alumni>.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!

Chevron hosts residents at San Francisco Giants ballpark

Eleven international I-House residents were invited to experience an American baseball game first-hand as guests of Chevron at the August 24, 2006, Giants game against the Cincinnati Reds. For many of the students, this was their first taste of the great American pastime, replete with hot dogs and Cracker Jacks, courtesy of their hosts, including Peter Robertson, Chevron Vice-Chairman and I-House Board Member.



Back row, from left: Taha Ozturk, Turkey; Burcu Biliker, Turkey; Benjamin Messia, France; Peter Robertson, Vice Chairman, Chevron; Florian Poirier, France; Arnaud Bouberd, France; Ilan Akker, The Netherlands
Front row, from left: Valentine Calloud, France; Xian Liu, China; Bianca Cerchiai, Italy; Pedro Gardete, Portugal; Johanna Gereke, Germany; Liam Corrigan; Shanti Corrigan, I-House Alumni Relations Director.

CAL’S SERVICES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS EXPANDS

The need for increased staffing within Cal’s office of Services for International Students and Scholars (SISS) inspired a major reconfiguration of I-House office spaces during the summer of 2006. The Arun and Rummi Sarin Program Office and the I-House Office of Information Systems and Technology are now located on the first floor between the mail and laundry rooms, while the SISS offices were moved to the second floor. Careful planning dating to the winter of 2005-2006 ensured that student access would not be impaired, as the House worked to accommodate the expanding staff of the SISS office. SISS is tasked with the challenge



Residents, alumni and the general public enjoy sunlight and shade and a Golden Gate bridge view on the newly improved I-House Café patio.



Nathaniel Rice, Chair of I-House Resident Council Fall 2006, was the first current resident to buy a brick.

RESIDENT ESSAYS CAPTURE I-HOUSE EXPERIENCE

Each year, residents are challenged to describe their International House experiences in the *Barbara Lynch Crossing Borders Essay Contest*. In the winning essay for 2006, Nazanin Shahrokni, an Iranian-American sociology student, writes:

I am sitting on a couch in the Great Hall, doing my readings... On the other side of the room, four people are playing cards: “Nazanin! Whose side are you?” Asaf, from Israel, and Farhad, from Iran, are in one team, Ivan, from Serbia and Cihan, from Turkey, in the other.

Come on! Are you on the Iranian side or on the Serbian side?

An Iranian allied with an Israeli!!! No way! I am on the Serbian side...

We all laugh. Strange faces fade away...I look around the Great Hall. Familiar faces smile at me. There is, now, a familiar face for me in almost all the countries in the world.



Nazanin Shahrokni, current I-House resident, is the winner of the 2006 Barbara Lynch Crossing Borders Essay Contest.

The essay contest honors the memory of Barbara Lynch who touched the lives of thousands of residents through her work in the Program Office from 1966 to 1988. After Barbara died in 2001, I-House alumni Hugo and Elfi Tarazona established an endowment for the Barbara Lynch Crossing Borders Essay Awards Program. The contest invites residents to describe how their time under the dome has affected them and funds a prize of \$250 for the winner.

CAFÉ PATIO NAMED IN HONOR OF ALUMNUS

Egon von Kaschnitz, Austrian I-House alumnus from 1951-52 and current board member, and his wife Joan von Kaschnitz have recently agreed to lend their names to the newly refurbished café patio, allowing I-House to recognize their generous and ongoing support of its mission. A dedication ceremony is planned in 2007.

DIVALI CELEBRATION DINNER IN DINING ROOM

I-House observed the Divali Festival of Lights with a celebratory dinner in the dining hall on October 28, 2006. A special Indian buffet menu was offered, featuring Channa Masala, Gobi Aloo, Lamb Vindaloo and other Indian dishes. Divali is celebrated by Hindus, Jains, Buddhists and Sikhs alike and symbolizes the victory of good over evil. Lights in the form of candles, lamps and sometimes fireworks are lit as a sign of celebration and hope for mankind.

The Divali dinner is part of a series of theme dinners offered at I-House throughout the year. Other celebrations include Oktoberfest in the fall; Chinese Lunar New Year and a Native American dinner in the winter; Mardi Gras and an African American dinner in the spring, Bastille Day in July and more. All dinners are open to the public and cost \$9.00. I-House alumni are invited to enjoy the dinners at a discounted rate with their alumni cards.

EDITH COLIVER FESTIVAL OF CULTURES



Enjoy music, dance, an international fashion show, crafts, storytelling and global cuisine at the Edith Coliver Festival of Cultures on April 21, 2007. For information about this celebration of the world’s cultures, call the Program Office at (510) 642-9460 or visit <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu>.

On the same day, the campus opens its doors to the community for Cal Day with free lectures, tours, and many special activities. For information, visit <http://berkeley.edu/calday>.

I-HOUSE WELCOMES NEW RESIDENTS

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

- 554 residents represent 62 countries
- 181 residents are from the USA
- USA, Korea, China, France, Germany, Japan have the greatest representation
- Men outnumber women 350 to 204
- 352 are grad students or visiting scholars
- 202 are undergraduates
- 102 on international exchange programs
- 69 receive I-House financial aid
- Over 350,000 meals are served per year
- Most popular foods are spaghetti & meatballs, potstickers, shrimp & scallops newburg, chicken adobo
- 289 were introduced to I-House and to fellow residents at fall retreats
- All 554 residents have high-speed Internet access



MAP YOUR I-HOUSE FRIENDS IN THE @CALCAFÉ

Get a global view of your I-House friends in the @calcafé social networking site. Your **I-House@cal** login and password are all you need to access the site for a chat with friends, to read blogs or add your own blog, and to view a map of your contacts world-wide.

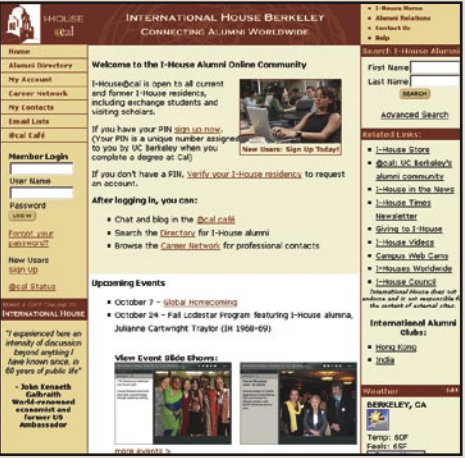


@calcafé social networking site, a feature of the @cal online community.

To join **I-House@cal** you must be a current or former resident of International House Berkeley.

To Register for **I-House@cal**, go to: <http://ihouseonline.berkeley.edu>

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



I-House@cal, I-House Berkeley's online community

Once you log in, you can access the @calcafé, view slide shows, join an email list, upload your photo and search the directory for other I-House alumni.

If you have any comments or need help accessing the site, please email ihouseatcal@berkeley.edu. We look forward to seeing you online!

ARCHIVE PROJECT VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Learn about the past 75 years of International House by participating in our photo archive project. Volunteers are needed for research and identifying, cataloguing and organizing photos from our archives. Contact Alumni Relations at ihalumni@berkeley.edu.

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

GALA 2006 MAKES A SPLASH!



Residents and alumni joined Chancellor Birgeneau in launching Gala 2006 by cracking open a sake barrel.

Nearly three hundred guests experienced the thrill of a traditional Japanese sake ceremony, or “Kagami Biraki” at the 2006 International House Celebration and Awards Gala on May 9th. Chancellor Robert Birgeneau, Board Member Steve Matsuura and two current residents, Josephine Mutugu from Kenya and Kevin Scallan from Ireland, smashed the lid of a sake barrel to open the 75th Anniversary Gala. Seated at the head table, within splashing distance of the sake

barrel, were keynote speaker, Professor Steven C. Rockefeller and *I-House Global Citizen of the Year* Martha Hertelendy.

Professor Rockefeller, noted environmentalist and grandson of International House benefactor John D. Rockefeller, Jr. spoke in his keynote address about the need for a global ethic that embraces the common humanity of all people (see excerpt, page 2).



Martha Hertelendy, *Global Citizen of the Year*, and Steven C. Rockefeller, keynote speaker.

Ms. Hertelendy reflected on the meaning of “global citizen,” saying:

For me, it means being able to look into the eyes of anyone in the world and see myself reflected back, with the realization that we have the same aspirations and dreams for food, shelter, security and livelihood for ourselves, our family and community. A global citizen celebrates diversity but sees differing cultures as expressions of the same humanity.

In addition to these thought-provoking speeches, guests enjoyed inspiring musical and dance performances by I-House residents while feasting on a delicious menu designed by renowned Bay Area chef Narsai David. A rousing

finale by the Oakland Interfaith Gospel choir brought the evening to a celebratory close. In all, the event raised a record-breaking \$120,000 towards the House’s 75th Anniversary Campaign and The Kresge Challenge.

To view a slide show of pictures from the Gala, visit: <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/alumni>

UNITED NATIONS DAY: MAKE POVERTY HISTORY



The Chevron Auditorium was filled with residents, alumni and community members on October 24th as I-House celebrated United Nations Day with an awards banquet cosponsored by the East Bay Chapter of the United Nations Association (UNA).

The theme of the evening was “Make Poverty History” and the program featured I-House alumna Julianne Cartwright Traylor (IH 1968-9), former Chairwoman of the Amnesty International, USA board of directors and current member of the board of the UNA. Other voices heard during the evening included a panel of representatives from Bay Area Consulates who presented their perspectives on how to fulfill the UN’s Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). A Middle Eastern buffet was served in celebration

of the end of Ramadan, the Islamic month of fasting.

Later in the evening, East Bay community members were honored as “Diplomat Stars to End Global Poverty” for outstanding actions to fulfill the MDGs that have directly impacted the lives of the world’s poor. Honorees included Congresswoman Barbara Lee and Larry Brilliant, Executive Director of the Google Foundation. Guests also learned about how they can get involved in the movement to eradicate global poverty. This banquet was an expansion of the I-House tradition of Lodestar dinner programs.

Lodestar dinners are held twice annually; local alumni and community members alike enjoy spending an evening at I-House, sharing dinner and conversation with current residents while listening to an interesting presentation. To be included on the mailing list for future Lodestar programs, simply check off the Lodestar item on the RSVP panel on page 7.



Julianne Cartwright Traylor (left), featured speaker at the Fall Lodestar Dinner, attended Global Homecoming 2006. Pictured here with Bea Heggie, wife of alumnus and former board member Dick Heggie. For more on Global Homecoming, see page 5.

ALUMNI INVITED TO ELDERHOSTEL 2007

International House will host two week-long Elderhostel Programs in June 2007. Participating in these programs is a great way to return to the House, enjoy lectures by outstanding Cal faculty, and participate in activities with people who share your interests. Some alumni attend with I-House friends and have their own mini-reunion.

THE INTERPLAY OF RELIGION AND POLITICS, JUNE 3-9

Religion plays a powerful role in political issues and conflicts around the world. The world’s great religions inspire hope, understanding, and commitment to human rights yet they can also foster intolerance and conflict. Does living in a diverse world mean that there will always be violent conflicts? What is the political impact of growing fundamentalism? What are the relationships between religion, democracy and human rights? Professors will discuss religions around the world that are currently in the news. In addition to an exceptional academic program, field trips include a campus tour, local museums, the UC Botanical Garden, and a scenic trip to Napa for wine tasting and winery tour.

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN TODAY’S CHINA, JUNE 10-16

China’s thriving economy is having a profound impact on the world’s economy and balance of power. What are the effects on contemporary Chinese society and on relations with the U.S.? Will China replace the U.S. as the world’s superpower? What are China’s human rights issues and the prospects for democracy? What are the environmental impacts and effects on global warming? Explore current issues with University of California professors and other experts in a program co-sponsored by the Berkeley China Initiative. We will also enjoy field trips including a campus tour, local museums, the UC Botanical Garden and a day-long trip to San Francisco to the stunning new De Young Museum followed by a ferry boat trip on the bay.

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

The program fee of \$685 includes lectures, accommodations, meals, and activities (including tours and Napa trip). To register or receive a catalog, call Elderhostel at 1-877-426-8056 or visit the website at www.Elderhostel.org. Elderhostel is open to adults, ages 55 and better. Registration for June programs begins in January. More information is also available on our website at <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu>. To receive a flyer, check off the box on the RSVP form on page 7.



Alumni enjoyed returning to I-House to be students again at Elderhostel in June. Front row from left to right: Ruth Smith (IH 1952-56), Marcelle Scholl (IH 1952), Jeanne Griffith (IH 1952-54), Grace Altus (IH 1946-48), Paul Herman (IH 1949-51), Betsy Coggins (IH 1991). Back row: Betty Goren (IH 1951), Alden Pixley (IH 1954-55), Peggy Grunland (IH 1946-47), Bob Wright (IH 1947-50), Connie Fraser (IH 1963-64), Vern Haddick (IH 1950-51).

BOARD MEMBER TRANSITIONS FOR 2006-2007

After serving for nine years on our Board of Directors, three committed I-House supporters stepped down from their positions at the end of the 2005-06 year. Reeve Gould, retired architect (IH 1941-43, 1946-48); Elizabeth Gordon, philanthropist; and George Fesus, senior management consultant in financial services, have each completed the maximum of three three-year terms of service on the Board. Mr. Fesus and Mr. Gould will continue to serve on Board committees for the coming year, and Ms. Gordon remains an important friend of the House as well. UC Berkeley Chancellor Robert Birgeneau, President of the I-House Board, acknowledged the long-standing services of each member at the spring Board meeting and distributed small pewter models of I-House as a token of appreciation.

The Nominations Committee is currently reviewing the potential appointment of three new women nominees to the Board, and a vote will be taken at the autumn Board meeting, October 19th. A further update on new board members will be included in the spring issue of the I-House Times.

TOKYO REUNION (continued from page 1)

I-House alumni ranging from the 1940s to the 2000s enjoyed the festive gathering, including a raffle with prizes, and a delicious assortment of sushi and other culinary treats.

The Tokyo reunion was organized as part of a series of I-House events convened worldwide in celebration of the House’s 75th Anniversary. Similar gatherings have been held across the US, Europe and Asia. A slide show of photos from the Tokyo event is posted on our website at <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/a/events/>.

I-HOUSE BARBECUE A FESTIVE “GLOBAL HOMECOMING”



I-House couples from near and far: Tito and Margaret Moruza (IH 1939-40) of Berkeley and Valerie and Mel Forbes (IH 1969-70), visiting from Australia. Both couples met at I-House and attended Homecoming, which was held on the patio where the Moruzas first held hands. The Forbes’ son will live at I-House in 2007!



David Carlson, far right, with his wife Janet Carlson, attended Homecoming with their son Dan and his girlfriend, Angie Jackson. Mr. Carlson’s father, Douglas Carlson, lived at I-House 1943-45.



Joe Lurie raises a glass with two World War II-era alumni: Dick Heggie (IH 1943-44) and Jack London, who lived here while I-House was used by the Navy and known as Callaghan Hall (1944-45). See below for more on Callaghan hall.

Residents joined alumni and friends on October 7th for a hearty barbeque buffet on the Heller Patio before the Cal versus Oregon Homecoming football game. Joe Lurie, Executive Director, welcomed the visitors and encouraged the gathered alumni to share stories about their time at I-House. As Mr. Lurie was celebrating his last Homecoming before his planned departure next summer, many alumni also shared memories of his almost 20-year tenure.

The crowd was challenged with I-House trivia questions and enjoyed a chocolate cake in celebration of the 75th Anniversary. Representatives of the resident council and other current residents enjoyed mingling with the alumni who represented all decades of I-House history. Some of the guests proceeded next door to Memorial Stadium to watch Cal beat Oregon 45-24. For others, a visit to their old home and shared memories of good times was enough celebration for the day.

The annual homecoming event has become a favorite time to return to the House, enjoy good food and share some Cal spirit. Join us next year on October 13th for Global Homecoming 2007!

GIDEON SOFER CAMPAIGNS FOR POSTAGE STAMP



Gideon Sofer in his room at I-House displays one of the Websites he created to publicize his stamp campaign.

Gideon Sofer, an I-House resident who has Crohn’s disease, met with the U.S. Postmaster General last spring to discuss the possibility of a stamp that would feature Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD).

Gideon is on a campaign to raise awareness about Crohn’s disease, a chronic intestinal disorder that has repeatedly landed him in the hospital for months at a time since he was twelve years old. “This disease isn’t a sexy subject, but it’s got to be talked about” Gideon says.

The meeting with the Postmaster was arranged by the Make-A-Wish Foundation, an organization that reaches out to young people who have diseases that may end their lives. “I’m so lucky to be alive,” Gideon recently told the *Berkeleyan*. “It’s not

always easy to tell myself this when I relapse, but that’s what really gets me out of bed in the morning, and that’s what is motivating me to do whatever it takes to get this stamp approved.” Read more about the IBD stamp campaign at <http://ibdcure.org>.

JOE LURIE ANNOUNCES DEPARTURE IN JUNE 2007

(continued from page 1)

“I have grown immeasurably in personal as well as professional ways from my association with International House and its many constituencies,” said Mr. Lurie in his departure announcement to I-House staff. “I am forever grateful for my International House friendships among residents, staff, alumni and board members. I will hold them close in the years ahead, and will, with Donna, remain connected to I-House and its residents in personal ways. I-House has become and will always be a permanent part of our lives.”

Ms. Hertelendy has said, “During his tenure, Joe has earned the full support and admiration from our board of directors, staff and students alike through his strong leadership, management skills, commitment and devotion to our I-House.” Mr. Lurie leaves a legacy of numerous accomplishments over nineteen years of working with staff, board members and alumni including:

- Increasing financial aid offerings from \$30K to \$550K per year.
- Renovating 80% of the building, including providing for better access for people with disabilities and improving seismic safety.
- Greatly enhancing financial stability by increasing emergency reserves and restricted funds by a factor of eight.
- Facilitating the production of a documentary about I-House that has been shown on over forty PBS stations across the US.
- Initiating the Gala and Elderhostel traditions.
- Bringing back the I-House Festival of Cultures, including the creation of an endowment to help support its continuation in the future.
- Production of several publications documenting the history and impact of the I-House experience.

Ms. Hertelendy and the Board’s search committee have begun an extensive nationwide search process to identify Mr. Lurie’s successor.

Mr. Lurie’s priorities for the remainder of his time here include the successful completion of the \$10 million 75th Anniversary Campaign to secure the Kresge Challenge grant of \$500,000, which would be the crowning achievement of his tenure and ensure a secure future for the house for decades to come. Persons wishing to make donations to this effort in Joe’s honor are encouraged to direct them to the Returned Peace Corps Volunteer Scholarship Fund at International House. The fund is intended to help make it possible for a returned Peace Corps Volunteer to live at I-House while pursuing further education at Cal. Mr. Lurie will be honored at a celebration event in the spring of 2007.



Joe Lurie with former residents Jayeal Sankaran, Rabi De and Lily Yan as shown in an issue of the *I-House Times* in 1988

CALLAGHAN HALL REUNION

On April 28, 2006, a group of Navy men who lived at I-House during World War II returned for a reunion at their old home. Callaghan Hall, as I-House was known from 1943-46, housed the Navy’s V-12 program and was home to 800-900 Navy student trainees at a time. Six of these men returned, along with their spouses, to spend a weekend at UC Berkeley and reunite with old friends. All of the reunion attendees had spent two years living on the eighth floor of Callaghan Hall while studying to become engineering officers. The gathering was organized by Jack London of Auburn, CA.



From left: Jack London, Bill Kenton, Boyd Thompson, Dino Williams, Daniel Shiells and John VanBronkhorst enjoyed a stop at Sather Gate during the reunion organized by Jack London.

The alumni enjoyed a luncheon in the Home Room, during which they shared memories and stories from their time under the dome. Jack recalled how the young men were prohibited from using the I-House elevators; a restriction that their superiors hoped would keep them in good physical shape. Joe Lurie, Executive Director, joined the group to talk briefly about the 75th Anniversary of I-House, after which they enjoyed a tour of the House, led by former resident Stephan Fuchs from Germany. During the tour they saw room 800, where Mr. London himself had lived. Visiting the eighth floor bought back memories for Mr. London of dropping water bombs on young women walking past I-House to their sorority houses, which once earned the men a weekend of “detention.” While on campus they also visited the School of Engineering.



Newly-commissioned Navy officers with their fiancées and brides at International House in 1945.

KUSUN ENSEMBLE WOWS THE I-HOUSE CROWD!



Performers from the Kusun Ensemble, visiting the Bay Area from Ghana, wowed a crowd of I-House residents, alumni and friends who attended their exuberant presentation of Ghanaian music and dance on September 26, co-sponsored by the Office of Alumni Relations and the Resident Student Council. The Kusun Ensemble’s style integrates traditional music with modern, innovative rhythms and is strongly influenced by African jazz. Their colorful and energetic performance electrified the crowd, many of whom couldn’t resist the impulse to dance to the powerful West African beats.

CELEBRATE I-HOUSE ROMANCE!

Did you meet your spouse at I-House? We know of more than 900 couples who met here and would love to add you to the list on the I-House Couples page: <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/a/notable/couples.html>

Please use the RSVP panel or send an email to ihalumni@berkeley.edu and let us know when and how you met.

COUNTRY CONTACTS

<http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/countrycontacts>

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

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

BAY AREA HOSTS NEEDED

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

1930s

Lillian Wurzel writes, “Still going strong at 93—active in many community affairs. Write monthly column for local Retired Public Employees’ Chapter’s Newsletter.”

1940s

Beva Pilling Farmer recalls one “unforgettable summer” (1947) when she lived at I-House while Peter Farmer, who would become her husband, lived across the street as president of the ΔKE (Delta Kappa Epsilon) fraternity. Peter is now a retired Episcopal priest and Beva enjoys her art. The couple has 5 children and 12 grandchildren.

Richard N. Goldman and his late wife, Rhoda, received the Jerusalem Foundation’s 2006 Teddy Kollek Award for their efforts to turn a Jerusalem battlefield into a peace park. They worked with celebrated landscape architect Lawrence Halprin to create a 1 ½ mile promenade linking East and West Jerusalem, which today is shared by Muslims, Jews and Christians from across the city and around the world.

James M. Miller writes of his exciting life in Sacramento as an insurance broker, father and now caregiver for his wife.

Thorndike Saville Jr. and **Janet Foster Saville** visited I-House with their children in August 2006 to “show them a little of what formed our lives in the late ‘40s... Being in I-House brings back wonderful memories to us, so we were pleased our children could see some of the inside as well as the outside.”

Betty Greenwald Sherman has completed some 35 plus years with US Foreign Service and now lives at the Fredericka Manor Retirement Community in Chula Vista, CA with her husband Earle W. Sherman.

Anne Waybur writes, “I’ve lately moved to The Redwoods, a highly reputable retirement community for a diverse group of retirees. I traveled in March and April to Russia, to visit Moscow and St. Petersburg and countryside (The Golden Triangle) northeast of Moscow—a very packed trip, of famed tourist sights and superb galleries.”

1950s

Ann Fogelman is living in Texas and working on writing her memoirs, including reflections on her time at I-House as a student of Public Health Nutrition.

John S. Gleed writes that he has fond memories of I-House, where he met his wife, Gail, in the dining room and on the student board in 1958. They were married after summer school the following year.

Celeste Lipow MacLeod has published a new book, entitled *Multiethnic Australia: Its History and Future*, McFarland Publishers, Jefferson, North Carolina and London, 2006. More information is available on the website, www.multiethnicaustralia.com. Celeste lives in Berkeley.



Klaus Netter retired from the United Nations as Deputy Director of the Division on Least Developed Countries and as Special Advisor to the Secretary General of the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). Since his retirement he has directed an NGO promoting transfers of technology among developing countries while also serving as Geneva’s representative on the Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations before the human rights bodies of the United Nations.

J. Bixby and **Peggy Smith** have recently left their home of 52 years in La Canada, CA and moved to La Costa Glen, a retirement home in Carlsbad, CA.

1960s

Krishna P. Bhattacharjee is the Executive Director of Habitat Center in Kolkata, India, and hopes to help convene an I-House Alumni Reunion in India someday. Krishna also wrote two articles, for the *Daily Cal* and *The Berkeley Daily Planet*, campaigning for the International House to be classified as a landmark and preserved as a historic building.

Lila de Araujo Rayol, sociologist, translator and retired university professor is living in Brazil but travels to the US when she can to visit her two bi-national daughters who live in Massachusetts and Florida. She writes about the 75th Anniversary, “I am very proud to be part of IH Alumni and will... be there in spirit for the commemorations.”

Janet Free is living in New Zealand with her husband John, where they run Chestnut Ridge Farmstay at their 16-acre chestnut orchard on the North Island just outside Te Kauwhata, about ten minutes drive north of Huntly.

Walter H. Graf has retired as Professor of Hydraulic Engineering at the Ecole Polytechnique of Lausanne in Switzerland. Living in Lausanne, he does extensive lecturing in Europe and Asia (China, Japan and Indonesia)—also enjoying all their different cultures.

Jo Griffin Hurley writes, “I am living in Phoenix, enjoying my retirement and grandchildren. I remember the I-House years fondly and would love to see anybody touring through Phoenix.”

Philip G. Kosky writes in remembrance of his friend, fellow I-House alumnus **Stuart Chenoweth**, “I believe we met across the bridge table at I-House, a life-long pleasure of mine and of my wife’s. Since then I have seen Stuart but a few times on visits to the West Coast and remember with pleasure those occasions.”

Charles B. Neubecker is retired from the international oil business where he worked with Caltex, affiliated with Chevron. He is now a volunteer teacher of finance management with the Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv, Ukraine. He is also active with the Catholic Pro-Life Committee of North Texas, the Knights of Columbus, and the American Institute of Chemical Engineering. He and his wife, Linda, have four children and three grandchildren. In 2006 he was named the Person of the Year by the Dallas area Knights of Columbus.



David Scheuring and **Anne Foley Scheuring**; **Jim Haag** and **Claire Haley Haag**; **John Olmsted** and **Eileen Collins Olmsted** all celebrated 45 years of marriages that resulted from I-House romances at a gathering of old friends in August. Pictured above, left to right: Ann, David, Claire, John, Eileen and Jim.

Arthur I. Stonehill writes, “My wife Kari and I are both retired and living 8 months a year in Honolulu and 4 months a year in Corvallis, Oregon. I was a Professor of International Finance for 40 years, at UC Berkeley (2 years), Oregon State (25 years), Copenhagen Business School (7 years) and U. of Hawaii at Manoa (12 years). My wife was a travel agent in Norway and Oregon.”

Julianne Cartwright Traylor returned to her undergraduate alma mater, Skidmore College, to deliver a lecture last November entitled “The United Nations, the United States, and Human Rights.” Traylor is a prominent figure in the field of international human rights law and policy with a focus on the United Nations, gender and development issues, and the realization of economic, social, and cultural rights. She is a past chair of the Amnesty International U.S.A. Board of Directors.

Susan Marmon Wagstaff writes, “I am working as a family therapist in England and still in contact with friends made at I-House all those years ago (1967-69). What a great institution!”

1970s

Edith Borchardt spent two months in Europe, teaching a course on Austrian-Hungarian Empire from to students from the University of Minnesota, Morris; two weeks in the South Tyrol region of Italy and two weeks in Vienna, Austria. She has also been promoted to Professor of German at UMM.

Roberto Figueroa, who graduated from Cal with an M.S. degree in Structural Engineering, is currently President and CEO of Prisma Energy in Central America, a company that owns and operates electrical power plants in the region.

Jan L. Goodsell

(right) and his wife Mayumi celebrated the birth of their son Kai Luke, born in Tokyo on June 19, 2006.



Stuart A. Samuel has made the transition

from theoretical physics to theoretical medicine. He was recently promoted to Senior Scientist in charge of all modeling at Archimedes Inc., which models mathematically medical diseases and treatments and was featured in the cover article of the May 29th issue of Business Week.

S. Shankar Sastry is Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) at Berkeley, Director of the Center for Information Technology Research in the Interest of Society (CITRIS), and a Member of the National Academy of Engineering.

David M. Seaborg is working to promote a substitute for Rhinoceros horn, used as an aphrodisiac in China, Taiwan, Japan, Thailand, and Indonesia, in the interest of reducing the incentive for poachers to hunt the animal. Anyone interested in learning more can contact him at daviseaborg@juno.com.

Davinder S. Sethi visited I-House last winter with his family and reports, “Our son is keen on applying to UC Berkeley as a consequence. We may be back!”

Ben W. Weiner writes, “My time at I-House was marked by perspective. I learned to look ‘international’ vs. just national. This outlook has served me well in over 29 years of service to America in such international locales as Germany, Italy, Morocco and Bosnia. Thank you I-House!”

1980s

Channing B. Brown, after a career spanning almost 23 years, has left Teldordia Technologies as a senior software engineer. He is currently running his own company (Greencourt Software), and has recently relocated from central New Jersey to Champaign, Illinois.

Firoozeh Jazayeri Dumas kicked off the 2005-06 Contemporary Writers Series at Mills College in September 2006. Her book, *Funny In Farsi: A Memoir of Growing Up Iranian in America* was selected as a finalist for the PEN award in Creative Nonfiction. A teacher, speaker and commentator for NPR, Dumas most recently premiered her one-woman show, “Laughing Without an Accent.” at the 2005 New Works Festival in Mountain View.

Jan Laurits Egeland was named one of *Time Magazine’s* “100 Most Influential People” in May 2006 for his work as United Nations Under-Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs and Relief Coordinator, and especially for his work campaigning for humanitarian aid to regions devastated by natural disaster and conflict.

Philip K. Hu has been Associate Curator of Asian Art at the St. Louis Art Museum since April of 2006. He hopes to get in touch with any other I-House alumni currently in St. Louis.

Julia Stone MacKinlay writes, “It was only a week or two after moving into I-House that I met my now ex-husband **Scott MacKinlay**. We had a wonderful romance in the halls of I-House, married in 1989, moved to London and had two beautiful children. Our daughter is already keen to go to UCB and may perhaps one day live at I-House! Although we are now divorced, we are still good parents together and still live in London! If it hadn’t been for the International House I would have not met my ex-husband and enjoyed so many wonderful adventures not least of which being our children!”

Erica Kumpf Martenson has received a Masters in School Counseling from Sonoma State University and has happily transitioned from high school history teacher to middle school counselor.

Katja May, Ph.D. and **Qingmin Hu**, Ph.D. recently moved to Washington state after 16 years in Berkeley. They met as foreign graduate students at UCB and I-House and married, raised two boys, hosted international students and just returned from a month-long RV vacation to the world cup in Germany.

Soheil Najibi is working as Senior Staff Orthopedic Surgeon at the Henry Ford Health System in Detroit, Michigan, specializing in Sports Medicine and Trauma. He lives in Canton, MI with his fiancée.

1990s

Rebecca Beasley has been lecturing in twentieth century English Literature at Birabek College, University of London since 2000. In 2003, she married New Zealander Markman Ellis in the presence of a few other I-House friends, including “best woman” **Anya Binsacca** and **Keith Murdoch**.

Elizabeth Coggins has retired from her positions as foreign student advisor and professor of sociology and anthropology.

Rachel Fitzpatrick started a theater company called 9minds in Australia that recently debuted its first major production, “Angels with Dirty Faces”, which Rachel co-wrote with a friend. The play may be coming to New York in January. See www.9minds.com.au for more information.

Laura Fogli writes, “My fiancé (Julio Garcia) and I met at I-House in 1998. We will be getting married on October 7th 2006.”

Scott M. Grayson accepted a faculty position in the Chemistry Department of Tulane University in New Orleans just before hurricane Katrina, and moved thereafter to Washington University in St. Louis to temporarily continue his work. He returned to New Orleans in January to a slightly damaged home and a bruised but quickly recovering university. He writes, “Nearly 90% of the undergraduates have returned. I look forward to the challenging years ahead that will hopefully bring many positive changes to both Tulane and the city of New Orleans.”

Athena Hadji is now an author in Greece, whose first novel *The Bubble Elegy* was released last November and sold quite well. She is currently finishing her second book, due out next spring. A summary of the first book is available at <http://www.psichogios.gr/eng/book.asp?cid=22146>.

Anasuya Venkathnam Hesse and **Yorgen Hesse** met at I-House during their stay from 1992-1993. Anasuya is from South Africa and Yorgen is originally from Ghana. They married and lived in South Africa for seven years before returning to the USA four years ago. They now live in Houston, Texas.

James A. Jenkinson writes, “I believe I-House was one of the most enlightening, challenging and satisfying experiences of my life.”

Nicola Laurenti visited I-House in June 2006 with his new bride, Anna, while they were in the US on their honeymoon. Nicola and Anna live in Padova, Italy (Padua), where he teaches at the University of Padova in the Systems Engineering department.

Mikiko Murakami used her own health battles and perceptions of the gaps that existed in health care to start Chi Fountain Integrative Medicine, where various health care providers work in collaboration with one another to address chronic pain, GI issues, and women’s health care issues. More information is available at: <http://www.chifountain.com>

Sharlene E. Ratcliff-Korenica is Marketing Director of the Oracle Corporation and United Nations Association of New York Young Professionals Committee Director in New York.

Anita Barnes Reimann and **James Reimann** met during their stay at I-House from 1990-91 and stayed in Berkeley as grad students until 1994 and 1998. They are still living in the Bay Area, in Foster City. James works at Genentech and Anita keeps busy looking after their children, Zoe (born in 1997), Stefan (born in 2001) and Max (born in 2004).



Caroline Strömberg married Cal alumnus Greg Wilson in Lund, Sweden on August 5, 2006. I-House alumni in attendance included bridesmaid **Therese Brewitz**, **Manuel Portilheiro**, bridesmaid **Manya Raman** and her husband, **Pär Sundström**. The couple will be relocating to Seattle next year to take up positions at the University of Washington.

Lottie Lee Williamson writes, “I was a resident of I-House for only 3 weeks during the summer of 1993. I was very impressed with the I-House purpose. More I-Houses are needed world-wide.”

2000s

Evelyna de Beer, resident of Utrecht in the Netherlands, works as a volunteer for a children’s foundation in Peru.

Akshay Shapit and **Jenara Nerenberg** have relocated to Boston and were recently engaged. They traveled to Akshay’s native Nepal for a traditional Nepalese engagement ceremony. Jenara is currently attending the Harvard School of Public Health.

Victor Pineda completed his work as a delegate to the UN Convention on the Human Rights of People with Disabilities. The treaty will go before the general assembly in early 2007. Through this work, he established his foundation to educate, inspire and inform a global audience on the capabilities and potential of people with disabilities. <http://www.Pinedafoundation.org>

Vlasta Vranjes and **Felipe Ribeiro** were married on July 28, 2006. They currently live in Raleigh, NC where Felipe holds a post-doctoral fellowship with North Carolina State University, but they hope to return to the Bay Area next year.

STAFF NEWS

Evangeline “Vangie” Canonizado Buell has published her memoirs, *Twenty-five Chickens and a Pig for a Bride: Growing Up in a Filipino Immigrant Family*. Vangie helped create the position of Events Manager at I-House in 1984 and served in that capacity until she retired in 1992. Since then, she has helped coordinate the Elderhostel program and choreograph resident performances at the Gala events. In her book, she relates her triumphs over racial and gender discrimination and tells of her family’s struggle to maintain their culture and traditions in America.

Elizabeth “Liz” M. Carr, former adviser and counselor in the program office in the 1970’s and 80’s, was recently elected 2006-7 vice-president of the National Association of College and University Chaplains (NACUC). She has been Catholic religious advisor at Amherst College, Amherst, MA since 1948, and for many more years has been the Chaplain to the College and Advisor to the Catholic Community, as well as Lecturer in the Department of Religion at Smith College in Northampton, MA.



Wendi Strange (above left with Vangie Buell), after 27 years on staff at I-House, left in August to become Senior Events Manager at UC Davis. Known to most recent students as I-House Events Manager, Wendi had also worked in the program office and with accounting. Dozens of current and former staff and students gathered to wish Wendi well and reminisce about her many years of service to the House.

SEND US YOUR NEWS!

If you enjoy reading News & Notes, please send us YOUR news on the RSVP panel on page 7. Photos will be published as space allows.

IN MEMORY

1930s ALUMNI
Betty Grant Austin
August 3, 2006

Gracious, loving matriarch: mother of three, stepmother of four, grandmother to 18, and great grandmother to three. Predeceased by husband of nearly 30 years, John. Actively supported many community groups including the Girl Scouts, Children's Hospital and Bancroft Library.

William B. Boone
June 9, 2006

Retired in 1999 as vice president and partner of Dean Witter Co. Named All-American Football Player at Cal in 1933 and 1934.

Robert Bridges
July 18, 2006

A partner in the law firm Thelen, Marrin, Johnson & Bridges. Predeceased by his wife of 69 years, Alice Rodenherger Bridges, with whom he had 3 children, 7 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Sara-Louise Heilbron Faustman
March 30, 2006

A lifelong supporter of the arts and civic organizations in Sacramento. Had a lifelong interest in international affairs, co-founded the World Affairs Council and the Matsuyama-Sacramento Sister City Association and traveled around the world with her husband, D. Jackson Faustman. Survived by 2 sons and 2 grandsons.

George M. Foster
May 18, 2006

Distinguished Cal anthropologist generally known as the founder of medical anthropology and for his pioneering research in the field. Author of nearly 300 publications, including more than a dozen books on theory, method and ethnography. Received the Berkeley Citation, the campus's highest honor, upon his retirement in 1979. Department library named after Foster and his wife, Mary, who died in 2001. Survived by 2 children, 5 grandchildren, 4 great-grand-children.

John K. Galbraith
April 29, 2006

World-renowned economist, former Ambassador to India, professor at Harvard University. Hailing from rural Ontario, Canada, he is known for humanizing economics, and he worked for social progressivism in economic policy making and served in the administration of Presidents F. Roosevelt, Truman, Kennedy and Johnson. Survived by his wife, Catherine, 3 sons and 10 grandchildren.

Pauline des Granges
October 20, 2005

San Diego cultural and arts maven who helped nurture Balboa Park, Mission Bay and the other recreational and cultural amenities. Served for 10 years as director of the Park and Recreation Department, during which time she was the highest ranking woman in city government. She blazed trails for women and helped found the philanthropic San Diego Foundation.

Rex M. Grivetti
November 15, 2000

Senior Geologist with The Texas Company (Texaco). After retirement, also worked with the United Nations, was among the first Americans to return to China after the Kissinger/ Nixon Chinese Accords as part of a UN-sponsored team writing laws for off-shore drilling.

Anne Saito Howden
September 24, 2006

Bay Area human rights advocate and leader in the Japanese-American community. Her husband of 53 years, Edward Howden, recalls "...her grace, her sparkle, her strength and her deep compassion." Survivors include her husband, son, stepson, and grandchildren. Anne shared her reflections about I-House in the *Visionaries* documentary which can be viewed on the I-House Website.

Clara Tom Lew
July 8, 2006

Resident of Rossmoor, enjoyed opera, Ikebana, and time with family and friends. Met her husband, Wing Lew, at Cal. The Lew's lived in Argentina, New York, and Florida, finally returning to California. Survived by two daughters and five grandchildren.

Grace William-Jorgens Samuelson
March, 2006

Resident of La Canada Flintridge, CA, member of the American Institute of Certified Planners, worked in community engagement.

John F. Wegner
March 1, 2006

A long-time resident of Los Angeles, born in Yosemite Valley and died at the age of 90. A graduate of Stanford University Business School, first worked for North American Aviation and later for Allied Record Company in a position that took him to many parts of the world.

Mildred Wegner
April 15, 2006

A long-time resident of Los Angeles, born in Illinois, died at the age of 91, she was preceded in death by her husband of 47 years, John Wegner. She worked for several years for Armed Forces Radio and thereafter became a homemaker.

1940s ALUMNI
Willa Klug Baum
May 18, 2006

Ground-breaking oral historian, joined the Berkeley oral history project in 1954 and became its director in 1958, a position she held until her retirement in 2000. Author of numerous books and anthologies, considered instrumental in establishing oral history as an accepted discipline. Upon retirement, received the Berkeley Citation, the campus's highest honor. Survived by five children, seven grandchildren.

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William C. Dickinson
April 16, 2006

Physicist at Los Alamos Nuclear Laboratory, helped establish a physics department at the Institute of Technology, Bandung, Indonesia, and served as that department's first chairman. Husband of late former program director, Donna Dickinson, whom he met while living at "Callaghan Hall" (I-House) during the Naval V-12 program.

Diana DeFee Drew
May 2006

Resident of the "Golden Age", she married I-House alumnus Powers "Bud" Messenger and lived in Santa Rosa, CA.

Audrey Rein Elwood
December 10, 2004

A New York native, she taught English at Albany High School and later for many years at Oakland's Merritt College. She and husband Phil Elwood, are survived by two sons and two granddaughters.

Phil Elwood
January 10, 2005

Leading jazz critic in the Bay Area for nearly half a century and longtime columnist for the San Francisco Examiner. Lived at "Callaghan Hall" (I-House) during the Naval V-12 program and married I-House alumna Audrey Elwood, who predeceased him by one month.

Theodore Waldman
December 8, 2005

Political philosopher who during his career taught at the University of Iowa, Arizona State University, and Harvey Mudd College in Claremont, CA, where he retired in 1991. Met wife, Nancy, at I-House. She survives him along with children and grandchildren.

1950s ALUMNI
Kenneth L. Rinehart
June 13, 2005

Professor of Chemistry at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, known internationally for his research on organic compounds. Received the American Chemical Society's Ernest Guenther Award in the Chemistry of Natural Products in 1996. Survived by his wife, Marlyn, three sons, and two grandchildren.

Doris L. White
July 25, 2006

Taught physical education at Cal for 35 years, where she also coached the women's tennis team and co-ed badminton team. Remembered by many Cal students as an athlete with a warm personality. Survived by two nephews.

1960s ALUMNI
David Truscott
May 2006

Australian alumnus remembered for his fast wit, warm and generous personality and the many injuries he received as an enthusiastic and competitive rugby player. Missed by many I-House friends—anyone willing to share stories of David should contact his dear friend Peter Doelman at p.daelman@chello.nl. Survived by two sons.

1970s ALUMNI
Lynn Gunzberg
July 4, 2006

An associate dean at Brown University where she coordinated external fellowships and advanced standing for first-year and international students. She also taught classes in Italian studies during more than two decades at Brown. Author of *Strangers at Home: Jews in the Italian Literary Imagination*.

Elisa Paolino
September 12, 2006

A dedicated mother and athlete, she is survived by her husband, Victor DuBois, thirteen-year-old daughter Alessandra, brother Eugene, and twin sister, Catherine Paolino (IH 1975). Elisa lived in I-House while pursuing graduate studies in Italian literature and received her Masters in Public Administration from USC.

1980s ALUMNI
Manuel Bronstein
June 6, 2005

Described by many as a top researcher of his generation in symbolic mathematical computation. An international conference was held in his memory in July 2006 at Sophia Antipolis, France. I-House friends Marie and Bruno Moatti write, "Everyone who met Manuel remembers his intensity, his intelligence and his sense of humor." He has been laid to rest in Jerusalem and is survived by his wife Karola and their six children in Nice, France.

FRIENDS
Brent M. Abel
December 26, 2005

Former I-House Board member from 1980-86 and partner at Bingham McCutchen in San Francisco. President of both San Francisco and California bar associations. Lieutenant commander in the US Navy during WWII, awarded the Navy Cross. Predeceased by wife, Corinne.

Gordon L. Furth
June 22, 2006

Former I-House board member, former editor of Daily Cal, executive with Marcona Corporation, Cyprus Mines and Amoco. Survived by two daughters and three grandchildren.

Theodore "Ted" B. Lyman
October 14, 2005

Former business manager of the computer department at Cal, avid folk and square dancer, Berkeley resident and friend of I-House. Survived by three of his four children and nine grandchildren.

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February 28, 2007 Mardi Gras Dinner 5:30-7:30 p.m.
March 17, 2007 St. Patrick's Day Dinner 5:00-7:00 p.m.
April 21, 2007 Edith Coliver Festival of Cultures / Cal Day, see page 3
April/May 2007, TBA Annual Celebration and Awards Gala, see page 4
May 5, 2007 Cinco de Mayo Dinner 5:00-7:00 p.m.
June 3-16, 2007 Elderhostel Programs, see page 4

Ongoing Programs:
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