

# NU NEWS

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## *IT'S ALMOST CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON TIME!*

It's the 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Christmas Luncheon, but the third to which wives or sweethearts have been welcomed, and our third year at the Marines Memorial. The date is December 11th. Although renovation of the Olympic Club is complete, we have been offered a much more favorable price at the Marines Memorial on Sutter Street, around the corner and a block north of the Olympic Club, prompting us to return there.

Last year's luncheon was a huge success again, and some new faces greeted us. The ladies enjoyed a buffet lunch in the Flying Leatherneck Room, while fraters dined a floor below. This year the plan is the same. The time for informal socializing begins at 11:30 a.m., with lunch served at 12:45 p.m.. Once again, we will have our own bar. (The bar will close at 12:45 p.m. by the way, so get there in time to enjoy all the camaraderie.) It has become a tradition for the Teke

Quartet to go upstairs and serenade the ladies, and that will be the case once again. We'd like to have more wives and sweethearts enjoy this day, so be sure and bring them along.

The cost for fraters is \$47.00, with an entrée choice of sea bass or pork tenderloin. For the ladies, the cost of the buffet is \$27.00. This is only \$2.00 higher than last year. Because he must pay for the event up front, Dan Costello '51 requests that he receive reservation forms and checks by December 1st. A form is included in this issue.

Parking is suggested at the Sutter-Stockton Garage, just a three-block walk away. Coming from Van Ness Avenue, the garage entrance is on Bush Street. (Closer parking is available at the Olympic Club, but it is more expensive.) Holiday shoppers fill the lower parking levels fast, so come early and be prepared to park on one of the top floors.

## THE PRYTANIS' ADDRESS

### *FRATERS,*

I am very pleased to write that Nu Chapter is alive and thriving at Cal! We just received the honor of "Top TKE Chapter" from TKE Nationals, and I would like to extend a big thank you on behalf of the active chapter to our alumni, especially our young alumni, who have helped us reach this goal. Additionally, Nu Chapter Alumni Association has just been designated as an Alumni Leadership Chapter "in recognition of (our) outstanding alumni support." Thank you and congratulations to all of you who have helped to make Nu Chapter the best TKE chapter in the United States.

Nu Chapter was also selected by TKE Nationals last spring to be the face of TKE for their new marketing campaign. Our house, our men, and our university were all the subjects of hundreds of pictures which were taken over a three day period last April surrounding our last alumni event, our annual Re-Chartering Celebration Banquet, which was by every measure a success. Thank you to everyone who came, especially our wonderful photographer, Frater Daniel Parker, TKE CEO Kevin Mayeux, Grand Histor Charlie Trabold, and CEO of the TKE Educational Foundation Gary Reed, for making the long journey from Indianapolis to join us at our alumni event, and for taking a very active interest in Nu Chapter. I would also like to thank Grand Prytanis Mark Fite for joining us last February at our formal induction dinner, and for sharing stories about Nu Chap-

ter's rich history which even attending Frater Dan Costello '51 was unaware of.

I am also very pleased to announce that Nu Chapter was one of only two chapters of the 270 active TKE chapters that were involved in an experimental restructuring of the TKE Leadership Academy, which is held annually in Bradford Woods, Indiana in June. Each year, less than 30 TKE actives are chosen from a competitive national pool to attend Leadership Academy completely free of charge, and this year Nu Chapter sent three men (over ten percent of the academy's total attendance!) — Arash Ghaffari '07, Aria Ghaffari '09, and Albert Linden '08. At Bradford Woods, past Grand Prytanis Mark Romeg acted as Nu Chapter's small group leader throughout the week. These three actives



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## Chapter Leadership

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## ***DON'T SHOOT THE EDITOR!***

I don't ski or play golf. I don't belong to a country club, a service club, a bridge club, a gourmet cooking club, or (God forbid) a hiking club. I quit fly-fishing because my footing on wet rocks isn't what it used to be. This year Jeffrey had to go up on the roof and put sealant around the skylights because I can't get up there very easily any more, and when I do I can't get down. In motels I get a ground-floor room. My back goes out more than I do.

But, let me tell you, there is nothing—nothing—that can keep me away from a Teke function. I can still drive—great distances, in fact. I can still stand and visit, I can still sit down and eat -- and get up again. And thanks to my opposable thumb, I can still hang onto a drink.

I suppose I live in the past. I spent my childhood on Grizzly Peak Boulevard in Berkeley, and I have fond memories of Saturday afternoons in the Fall, smelling burning leaves, helping my Dad wash the '35 Plymouth, and hearing the Cal football game on the radio (although, at such a tender age, I didn't really know what was going on). Those were great days.

My family moved from Berkeley to the mountains of Shasta County while I was still in my tender years, and for my birthday I got a fly rod, which I put to good use. Those were great days, too. Think, barefoot boy in bib overalls.

But the most wonderful days of all were my days at Cal—not my boring business administration classes in Wheeler and Dwinelle, but on Channing Way—the House and its people. Now that was a past that is still worth living in.

So, although my present is not action packed, I live in my past each time I visit the House, go to the annual picnic or, in the coming instance, attend the Christmas luncheon. The adrenaline rush begins a couple of months ahead of time as I anticipate seeing new faces and old. The more Fraters are there, the more fun I'll have. I'm usually the first one there, knocking down Costello as I get out of the elevator, because I milk those hours for all they're worth.

So join me, will you, and help me celebrate our past.

**Robin C. Harris '56**

### ***PRYTANIS' CONTINUES***

left such an impression on Frater Romeg that he came out to Cal along with Grand Histor Charlie Trabold at the end of September for our Chapter Retreat.

Compared to other fraternities at Cal, Nu Chapter is far ahead of the pack. We are currently the second largest fraternity on campus out of 36 fraternities, with 46 active brothers and 13 pledges. We are very active socially with sororities and maintain nearly a 3.2 GPA, which is better than the All-Male average at Cal, and the All-Greek average. This semester we have been competing in soccer, football, softball, and basketball intramural sports leagues. Over the last two semesters we have had a couple of "professional nights" put on by local alumni in the fields of law and engineering, and we are looking for alumni to come talk about medicine, real estate, and business (in general); if you have interest in being a speaker at one of our next events,

please contact me directly via e-mail (davidsfreeman@gmail.com); our actives are very driven and are always interested in hearing about how you succeeded in your respective fields.

Lastly, come out to our very popular Cal football pre-game barbeques before each home game, where there are plenty of hot dogs, hamburgers, beers, and of course, Tekes!

Yours in the Bond and Go Bears!

**David Freeman '07**  
Prytanis, Nu Chapter

# DUES ARE DUE!

What's new? Seems like they're always due !

Well, not really. Only once a year. But because we publish *Nu News* twice a year and pitch the dues in each issue, perhaps we sound like a broken record. This may also be the source of a couple of anomalies in the dues department.

First, while we welcome several new members to the Alumni Association each year, we lose a few from the previous year. This may be because there is no clearly defined anniversary date for payment of dues other than the somewhat nebulous calendar year. Some fraters pay dues following the fall issue of *Nu News*, others in the spring. That's fine; we'll accept dues payments as often as we can get them.

Which leads us to the second problem. Some fraters are overpaying their dues. If this is generated by your enthusiasm for the efforts of the Alumni Association, then we are truly grateful for the double payment. A couple of fraters have said, "I didn't pay last year, so this is for both years," and a couple more have said something like, "Here's a little extra for the great job you are doing." On the other hand, if we have confused you by publishing dues statements twice a year, we must caution you to be certain you are paying only once a year. If you are overpaying on purpose, please state this on your dues statement, so as not to confuse our esteemed treasurer, Frater Wayne Martinez '74, who frequently does not know how to properly credit these overpayments.

In any event, dues for 2007 are due. This is the time of the year when Wayne pitches a little tent out by his mailbox so he can snag these dues checks as soon as they come in.

## DUES HONOR ROLL 2006

These men are members in good standing with the Nu Chapter Alumni Association

Bill Rus '48  
Ed Dermott '49  
Mylon Nelson '49  
Len Schlussel '49  
George Dove '50  
Hawk Hyde '50  
Bud Jamison '50  
Don Lawrie '50  
Willie Moore '50  
Donald Talbott '50  
Roy Claxton '51  
Tom Morgan '51  
Herm Fisher '52  
Bob Heath '52  
Al Herzog '52  
Foster Shannon '52  
Bruce Cowan '53  
Jack Dirks '53  
Mark Engler '53  
Chip Wray '53  
Jerry Blalock '54  
Bob Collins '54  
Will Deady '54

Jim Griffin '54  
Pete Thompson '54  
Robert Keasbey '55  
John Bell '56  
Jeff Graves '56  
Robin Harris '56  
Tom LaFehr '56  
Jack Lehberg '56  
Fred Lusk '56  
Don Relfe '56  
Bob Sharp '56  
Garth Wilson '56  
Carl Anderson '57  
Dick Anderson '57  
Roy Berry '57  
Cliff Ceridono '57  
Bill Longworth '57  
Howard Nemir '57  
Hal Plimpton '58  
Don Romeo '58  
Fred Thill '58  
Jim Hubbert '59  
Jerry Park '59

Bob Penland '59  
Dick Wolf '60  
Don Gremaux '61  
John Phillips '61  
John Quigley '61  
Steve Bollinger '65  
Jim Sherk '65  
Russell Buss '66  
Fred Conrad '66  
Jim Leney '66  
Bob Quellmalz '66  
Bill Schmohl '66  
David Kerr '67  
Bob Muhlbach '67  
Terry Smerling '67  
Peter Duffey '68  
Steve Smith '68  
Jack Quatman '69  
Steve Russell '70  
David Dematteis '71  
Ken Richardson '71  
Chuck Shapiro '73  
Richard Johnson '74

Wayne Martinez '74  
Joe Rea '76  
Peter Winkler '76  
Jonathan Kahn '78  
Mark Parrish '78  
Clifford Marks '80  
Mike Wray '80  
Thomas Steig '81  
Kevin Collins '83  
Mark Edelstone '83  
Robert Fowler '83  
Anders Torgerson '83  
Charles Dethero '87  
John Tomlinson '89  
Steve Schmidt '90  
Bryan Dechairo '94  
Kinman Tong '03  
Brian Bailey '04  
Jeff Holiday '04



# TEKE ONLINE DIRECTORY WILL KEEP FRATERS IN TOUCH

We once considered publishing a directory of frater names, addresses and other data—a handy reference to help you locate each other. The publication of such directories is a source of frustration for everyone involved, because they are a perpetual work in progress. They are never up-to-date. Knowing that it would soon be obsolete, we just didn't know where or how to begin. This is probably the reason the project never got off the ground. It's a good thing it didn't because while we were pondering the sheer madness of such an undertaking, an online directory was being built by Fraternity Management Group. It is as up-to-date as human intervention can make it, and it is available to all who can access the internet.

To access the directory, enter [www.tkenu-alumni.org](http://www.tkenu-alumni.org), which will take you to our home page. Then click on Directory and enter Username and Password. Username is **CALTEKE**; password is **calteke** (both case sensitive). And there you are.

This is the most complete list of fraters we have ever had—560 names at this writing. Of course, fraters not on this list are still lost, so if a frater is missing from the list and you know where he is, we need your update. You should check



your own listing, too, to determine whether information is incorrect or missing.

To update the directory, e-mail the information to: [tkenu@fmgtucson.com](mailto:tkenu@fmgtucson.com), or mail it to:

Nu of Tau Kappa Epsilon  
c/o Fraternity Management Group  
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Have fun with this and get in touch with long lost friends.

## HEGEMON'S REPORT

With the induction of Iota class on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 14 men have begun their journey towards brotherhood. This Fall semester will mark a strong step forward for TKE Nu Chapter, as we ourselves continue our path to become the best fraternity on UC Berkeley's campus. Each class joining the fraternity this semester has increased our strength, our dedication, and our legacy, and Iota will be no different. Throughout the eight week process the candidates of Iota class will be thoroughly educated in the history of the fraternity, the expectations of members of Nu Chapter, and the ways in which Tekes live according to love, charity, and esteem.

These 14 men are the future of the fraternity and as such, I encourage all alumni to connect with them as they progress through their candidacy. The men of Iota are very diverse men, branching from an English foreign exchange student, to a first year graduate student, and even an incoming freshman from Alaska. Someday these men will be brothers in Tau Kappa Epsilon and further down the road they will be your fellow alumni. If any alumni are interested in involvement with the process, please do not hesitate to contact our chapter and we will find ways for alumni involvement in selection of our candidates, as well as opportunities for the alumni members to get to know the candidates prior to initiation.

# NEWS OF NU ALUMNI

**Bob Heath '52** writes, "After living in California for 33 years, Hawaii for 2 years, Connecticut for 30 years, and now Savannah, Georgia for 12 years, we are tired and true Easterners, and we have found the best of all places to retire... 6 golf courses, 31 tennis courts, and 2 deep water marinas are in our country club. We live on a barrier island on the Atlantic Coast, 12 miles out of Savannah, called The Landings ([www.thelandings.com](http://www.thelandings.com).) Come and see us if you can; four other TKE families have stopped by."

**Foster Shannon '52** tells us, "Janis and I just had a week at the Hanalei Colony Resort on Kauai. I had a wedding to perform, and decided we might as well make a week of it. On Sunday mornings I am usually teaching an adult Bible class somewhere: prior to Easter at St. Andrew's Presbyterian in Redondo Beach, and now back at Arcadia Presbyterian. I continue with writing projects and our publishing ministry. I keep in touch with Bud Jamison '50 and Al Herzog '53."

**Carl Anderson '57** is retired as administrative presiding justice of the First District Court of Appeal. He is now in private practice as an arbitrator/mediator. In his free time he enjoys gardening and tennis and is an avid Bears fan. Andy and Margo live in Piedmont and

have two grown children, Tom and Marnie.

**Steve Russell '70** practices dentistry in Orinda, California. He has been married to Toni for 27 years and has three children in college. His oldest daughter, Merin, was a Lair staffer for two summers.

**Mark Edelstone '83** lives in Moraga with wife Lori and children Steven 15, and Emily 12. He is managing director and global leader for semiconductor research for MorganStanley, where he conducts research and forecasts earnings for companies in the semiconductor industry for the benefit of institutional investors. His free time revolves around family, friends, and sports.

**Chuck Dutbero '87** lives in Anderson, California with wife Tracye and four children, ages 8 to 13. He is a professional forester in timberland management for Fruit Growers Supply Company. He is in touch with Ed Marek '82 several times a month. He says, "With work and children, I have no free time!"

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** We are light on frater news this issue. We can't print what we don't have. Please make an effort to send us news of yourself, your family, your work, your activities. Fraters are eager for this news.

## FALL SEMESTER OF 2006:

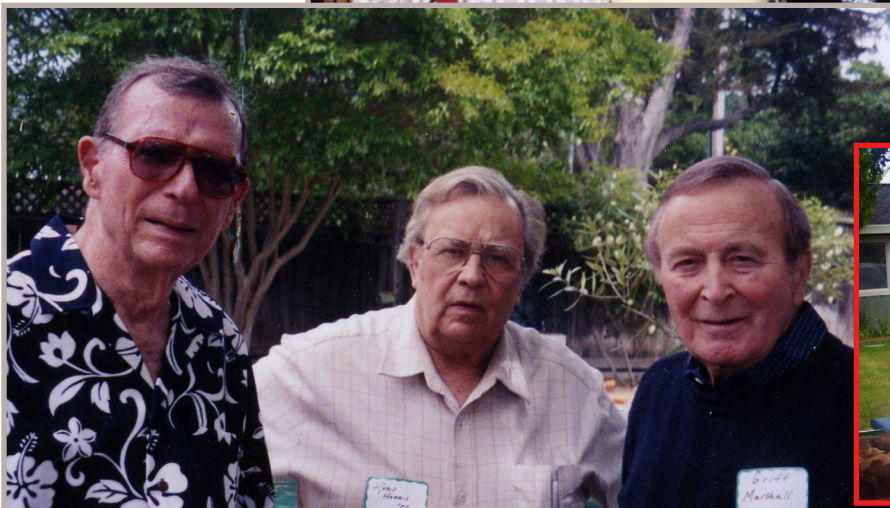
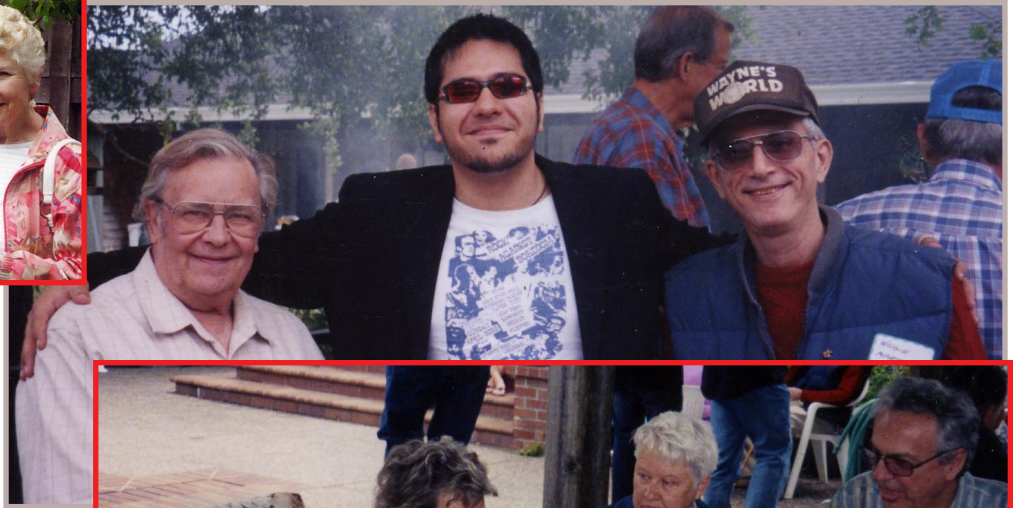
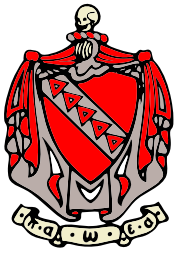
### *THE SEMESTER OF PHILANTHROPY*

This semester, the philanthropy position was changed from a single chair to a committee of four fraters, consisting of Fraters Alex Mok '07, Alex Mastrodonato '08, Zack Schneider '08, and Aria Ghaffari '09. The committee planned the most active philanthropic semester at Nu yet, participating in events such as the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk 2006 on October 7th, and the American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer on October 21st. It also plans on volunteering a full day at Habitat for Humanity in Oakland or San Francisco, as well as a full day cleaning Berkeley's very own Strawberry Creek. This semester, the entire house will be working together to win Greek Week, where all of the money raised Greek-wide will go to the philanthropy of the winning house. The committee has one big idea planned for the semester, which is a philanthropically-themed charity date auction. In this event, members from across the Greek community will participate to be auctioned off for a date, and the money that they raise, as well as entry ticket sales, will go to a combination of the participants' Greek house charity and our own, Alzheimer's. These are the current plans of the philanthropy committee, and there are certainly more to come.



# Family Picnic

*June 3rd*





## *Chapter Eternal*

### *Donald Chaffin '58*

Don Chaffin passed away May 11th in Grand Junction, Colorado where he made his home. He was 70 years old.

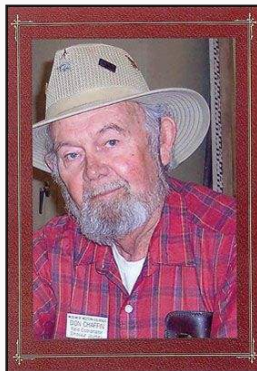
Born November 8, 1935 in Sacramento, Don graduated from Grant High School there. At Cal, he found his home at the Teke House where he was a member of the Teke Band, playing trombone. Activities at Cal included Cal Band, Rally Committee, and fencing.

Following graduation from Cal, he served with the U.S. Army in Japan, returning home to Sacramento where he met and married Joan Freyschlag, who survives him. Don and Joan had no children.

Shortly after marriage, Don went to work for UNOCAL. The couple left Sacramento in 1970 to live in Honolulu, until he was transferred to Los Angeles in 1980 where he was manager of petroleum products for UNOCAL until he took an early retirement in 1991, and they moved to Grand Junction.

Don then went to work for Dinamation in Colorado as field director of the dinosaur paleontology program, and following this he worked for the Museum of Western Colorado at Dinosaur Journey.

Don's home was too far away for him to be active in the Alumni Association, but according to Joan, he cared deeply for his fraternity.





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