

NORRIS FIJI

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FRANK NORRIS PIG DINNER – WHAT A HOOT

A tradition unlike any other fraternity's, the Frank Norris Pig Dinner for over a century has been a cherished excuse for Fijis to gather and continue the special bond that connects every member. 2009's Pig was no excuse as over 50 graduates returned to the chapter house in early October of last year.

Graduates began arriving at the house around 5:45 p.m. and were greeted with a wide selection of beverages. A number of the old scrap books were also brought out to allow the grads to reminisce a bit and convey some sage advice to the current actives. As always, the undergrads relished in hearing the stories associated with many of the photos within the albums.

With the cocktail hour in full swing many of the grads were reluctant to sit down to dinner, but a concentrated push combined with a rather appealing first course managed to coerce everyone into the dining room. After everyone had a chance to get settled in and begin enjoying their meal Taylor Smith '04 once again paid homage to Frank Norris with his spirited rendition of the Exile's Toast. Glasses were raised and the grads who could not attend were remembered and missed.

For the past several years the Pig Dinner has also served as the platform for announcing the next member/s to be inducted into the Delta Xi Hall of Fame. 2009's honoree was none other than Dan Guggenheim '60. Dan's Hall of Fame bio can be found later on in this publication. After Dan shared a few words about his fondest memories as a Fiji a number of fellow graduate brothers also chose to share a few stories of their own. Most notably from that group was Don "Kahuna" Regan '56 (UCLA) who entertained the crowd recalling his interactions with Dan.

Just as dinner was concluding the fall pledge class emerged from the kitchen carrying the well dressed and fully cooked "main course" while joyfully reciting "bringing in the pig". Once placed for all to view in the main entryway the most senior and junior members in attendance fulfilled their honors, much to the delight of those present. The final

portion of the evening's program was announcing the winners of the Delta Xi scholarships. Thanks to the generous donations from many graduate brothers we were able to award more scholarships than ever before. Nine members were honored with the Bell-Norris Scholarship, which is given for outstanding achievement in scholarship, fraternity, and community involvement. The Tom Meyer-

sieck Award, voted by on by the undergrads and given to the member who helps the chapter most while working behind the scenes, was given to Stephen Saribalis '10. Stephen is a former cabinet member and was well known for his commitment to the fraternity and willingness to lend a helping hand for any FIJI activity.

With all the formalities concluded, most grads stuck around to continue to catch up with one another, while others retired to prepare for the USC game the next day. Once again the event was extremely well received and the enthusiasm for Phi Gamma Delta was palatable. We hope to see even more graduates at this year's Pig which will be held Homecoming weekend – Friday, October 9th 2010 – the night before the UCLA football game. If recent trends continue, it will surely be an event that you do not want to miss.

Wer Dinin at Der Poodle and Wer Drinkin to Der Team!



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UNDERGRAD REPORT

This past year has been extremely exciting at the Delta Xi Chapter. With the warm weather has come a high morale amongst the brothers, due in large part to a successful Islander in April. All brothers brought enthusiasm to the event, carving statues and setting up decorations. Undergraduate Brothers' involvement in successful sports teams has added to the house cheer. Mark Boskovich, an offensive lineman on the football team was honored academically by the NCAA this spring. There are 6 brothers on the Men's Lacrosse team, who had a successful season making the finals of their conference tournament.

Membership is increasing. There were 11 initiates in the Fall, and 8 more this Spring. All of the most recent pledge class will be living in the chapter house next year, swelling the number to 34 live-in brothers.

Welcome to our new Cabinet. After serving as the Corresponding secretary in the Fall, Conner Thomas '12 is the new President. Taking his first position in the chapter is James Parker '12, the new treasurer. The Recording Secretary is Garrett Gomes '12 (who has also been accepted into the Haas Business School). Dorian Farhang '12 is the Corresponding Secretary, and as if it wasn't enough work already, is also the social chair. Lastly, our Historian is Wesley Harkonen '12. The Omicron Cabinet is anticipating a great year.

The initiates from the two most recent classes met with several graduate brothers recently for a successful dinner at Trader Vic's. The Polynesian themed food and drink brought good spirits as graduates recounted their wild undergraduate days to the wide-eyed pledges.

The Delta Xi Chapter has maintained a prominent role in philanthropic community. We sponsored, in association with American Red Cross, our bi-annual blood drive. Brothers also participated in the South Seas Philanthropic Volleyball tournament, making it to the championship game. Fiji also fielded a team in Delta Gamma's Anchor Slam basketball tournament.

Mothers' Day was a great success. After eating delicious sandwiches at the house, everyone drove to San Francisco on a picturesque day to see the comedic play Beach Blanket Babylon. Dads, don't feel left out because Dads' Day will be in the fall where all will attend a football game. We are looking forward to a great semester academically and fraternally. Hope to see you all soon!

Fraternally,

Conner Thomas '12



GRADUATE REPORT

Hi aile you Grads, you lucky Grads who dis past year were able to come by the Chapter House and renew all the great memories, friendship, and experiences that lie within

those 4 walls. *Doand and I know der blace, I findt der haus alle righdt. Der vhiskey Chimmie White hef drunk; from ous der sugar-bowl!*

FRIENDSHIP – THE SWEETEST INFLUENCE

As the years go by, which it seems they keep doing faster and faster, I am continually struck by how the concept of Fraternity is timeless in the bonds and friendships created. For Delta Xi, October 23rd 1886 was the start of thousands of friendships. Today’s active members are as vibrant, strong, mischievous, fun loving and talented as all those who came before. The chapter has 60+ members, 34 live-ins and a good fraternal environment you would all recognize and appreciate. Sure there are changes. Times aren’t the same in 2010 as they were in 1960, just as 1960 was different than 1930. At its core, though, what matters most is still alive and well.

In addition to the actives making the most of their time in the house, fellow grad brothers have still been able to use the chapter house for some grand celebrations! It’s been vision of mine to see the house used by the grads as well as the actives for select events. A large benefit of having the house in great shape, graduate groups look forward to coming back for a reunion or a special party. So take advantage, plan an event or call to reserve space for a tailgate.

This past year we printed and framed articles relating to the history of the house and the chapter. Fiji was the sixth fraternity at Cal and as we all know has some fairly illustrious history. Se of the articles include: February 1889 hosted the first exchange at Cal, 1891 sailing trips on the Bay to the Farallons, and Frank Norris as one of the founders of Skull & Keys. All highlight Fiji’s prominent role as one of the founding fraternities and the emphasis on diversity amongst its members dating back to the

founding. We are working to get more of this history on our website (www.calfiji.org) so please let us know if you have any interest in helping with this project.

Thanks to all who came to Trader Vic’s this spring to welcome the new fall 09 and spring 10 members. It was a great Trader Vic’s swan song and continues to be highly enjoyed by the new actives who are able to get a starting glimpse of what lies ahead for them within the fraternity. We certainly plan on continuing this event and hope to see you at the next event.

Thanks as well to all those contributing to our Annual Fund program. Your donations help fund our graduate relations program and the \$5,000 - \$10,000 in scholarships we award every year to current Cal Fijis. Our goal is to get over 100 contributors this year. Stay involved, we have over 700 active graduates with about 10% contributing. Let’s raise it to 15% for 2010.

The House Corporation has continued on track. We are meeting our financial goals, staying on budget, and keeping pace with needed annual maintenance. Our goal is to keep the house at a constant level as close to the original condition as possible. Many thanks to all the graduates who volunteer for the Board. I would encourage you to drop them an e-mail of thanks for their time and efforts.

Fraternally,

Martin Smith ’76
President, Delta Xi Graduate Board



DAN GUGGENHEIM '60

2009 Hall of Fame Inductee

The 2009 Hall of Fame inductee is a true Fiji. He accepted his bid freshman year at Berkeley in 1956, and wasted no time getting involved with the chapter. Aside from the obligatory hell raising he maintained, Dan was apparently mature and respected by his brothers enough to be on cabinet for two years. Dan was the corresponding secretary in his second year, and was President of the Delta Xi chapter his junior year. As if taking on an active role in the house was not enough, Dan also was in the Army ROTC for the 4 years he was at Berkeley and upon graduation, served as a 2nd lieutenant in the Army reserves as an artillery officer.

After graduating in 1960 and serving for the Army, Dan entered the investment business. He started his own Investment Management firm, Guggenheim and Davenport in 1970 and after that venture ended, joined Coldwell Banker Commercial Real Estate as an investment specialist. After 10 successful years at Coldwell Banker, Dan decided to pursue his career goal of real estate development, and became a large developer of apartment complexes. Dan then transitioned from apartments into investing in mobile home

parks, which is the business he currently concentrates on.

As a philanthropist, Dan has been giving back to the community for decades. He has been involved with and served as the director of FISH (Friends In Service to Humanity), Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County, and The Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Foundation for many years.

Of all his investments, the one he is most proud of is the property development for St. Matthews by the Sea, an Anglican Catholic Church. This was a church that he helped found and really put it on his back during the redevelopment, taking it from an attic production with a part time priest, to a parish with over 200 active families.

Dan currently resides in Newport Beach with his wife Susan, and during the summer lives on a river near Ketchum, Idaho where he spends his time fly fishing and golfing. Although living on a beach and in the mountains can be strenuous, Dan's 'can do' attitude will not let down because as he describes retirement, "it's not for me".

ALUMNI COCKTAIL HOUR ENJOYED BY ALL

Last year the Grad Board hosted an informal reception at the Claremont Country Club for the fall and spring pledge classes while also bringing together a number of alumni for some beverages and laughs. The goal of the event was twofold. First, we enjoy any excuse to bring alumni together in a social setting. Second, we wanted to show the new members that Fiji is truly not for college days alone and that the friendships created while in school will carry on far past college.

The initial event was a huge success and on April 29th the Grad Board once again hosted a reception for the two most recent pledge classes, this time, though, at Trader Vic's in Emeryville. A wide range of graduate brothers came with members from the 50s all the way through the 2000s in attendance. It was certainly an inspiring scene to see the

new pledges have a chance to learn about some of the grand (and not so grand) events that have taken place in years' past and confirming for them that by joining Fiji they made a decision that will benefit them for the rest of their life.



In classic Fiji fare, a number of delicious pupus platters were served as well as an ample pork loin display (Frank would have been proud). Once again the event proved to be a great success and we are eagerly anticipating next year's. Notice will likely be sent via e-mail, so if you have not been receiving our regular Delta Xi e-mails, please take a min-

ute to join our network by heading to our website (www.CalFiji.org) and clicking on "Get Fiji E-Mail". Also, if you have any suggestions for good locations where we can host the event please contact us (CalFiji@CalFiji.org).

ANNUAL FUND 2010

Delta Xi continues to be one of the top fraternities on campus and much of this success is due to your support. Many thanks to the brothers who have already contributed to the Annual Fund this year. We know that times are still tough for many people and your donations are especially appreciated given this.

Our ongoing goal is to help the undergraduate chapter achieve and maintain a level of excellence. To do this, we need to raise at least \$15,000 annually to meet the expenses associated with newsletters, our website, and events. We also need to plan for necessary capital improvements, while increasing funds to support educational and scholarship programs.

Delta Xi is proud to offer two scholarships specific to Cal Fijis (see 2009 winners within this publication). Last year we were able to award more Delta Xi Fijis with a scholarship than in any previous year – an incredible accomplishment! Our two scholarships awarded are:

Bell-Norris Scholarship Award – Given to those members who excel in scholastic achievement, fraternity service, and community involvement.

Tom Meyersieck Award – Given to the member who most contributes to the success of the chapter while working behind the scenes (voted on by the undergraduate chapter).

Whether it be our Housing Fund or one of our Scholarships Funds, your support will make a significant difference for Delta Xi. We thank you for your loyal and continued support.

2010 Annual Fund Committee:

William E. Bittner '49, Ed Bartlett '52, Bill Ashton '54, Dick Kelso '59, Dan M. Guggenheim '60, Stephen H. Booth '64, Craig T. Clifford '66, Paul E. Macy '67, Jim Fetherston '68, Mark Carter '76, Martin C. Smith '76, Manny Gonzalez '77, Jed Bittner '79, Don James '85, Mark Meredith '87, Thomas H. Power '89, Steven B. Peterson '90, Buddy Rowell '90, Taylor C. Smith '04, Alan J. Donner '07

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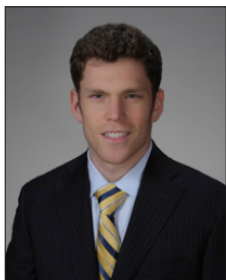
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SENIOR BIOS



Adrian Wilkie graduated in May 2010 with an honors degree in Molecular and Cell Biology, emphasizing in Immunology and Pathogenesis. As an active participant in the chapter, he held the positions of fundraising chair, house manager, and scholarship chair.

Adrian also pursued undergraduate research for 3 years at Cal, culminating in an honors thesis exploring how the innate immune system detects viral infection. During the summer after junior year, Adrian was abroad at the University of Cambridge in the UK, where he studied molecular biology in the same institution where Watson and Crick discovered the structure of DNA. His fondest college memories will undoubtedly be the life-long friendships he has made with his Fiji brothers. Next year, Adrian will pursue a research fellowship in the Laboratory of Medical Virology at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland. His long-term goal is to earn PhD in biomedical science.

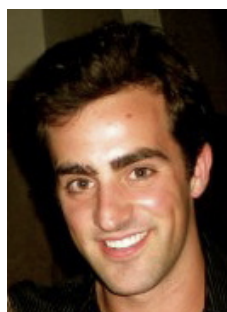


Garrett Gorlitsky graduated with a B.A. in Philosophy and a Minor in Public Policy. He is headed to law school this fall and while he hasn't yet decided where he will be attending, he is leaning toward Columbia. He is currently working for a professor at Berkeley Law and for the attorneys who are representing all of the fraternities in a recent class-action lawsuit.

An active Fiji, he held numerous positions including Recording Secretary, Social Chair, Rush Chair, and Philanthropy Chair.

Garrett is excited about graduating but feels nostalgic about all the friends he's made and all the experiences he's had with his

brothers. He intends on staying in touch with as many as possible after he graduates and enters the "real world."



James Zackler graduated with a degree in Economics. An active Fiji, James is proud to have served in the capacity of President, Recruitment Chair, and Philanthropy Chair. In both 2008 and 2009, he was awarded the Bell-Norris Scholarship due to his dedication to the chapter and academic achievements. He has also been awarded ATO's Leadership Scholarship and membership in the Order of the Golden Bear and the Order of

Omega. He is currently captain of the Cal Men's Lacrosse team and looks to bring the team to the National Tournament for the first time in over 10 years. After graduating, James will work at the Lair of the Bear before moving to San Francisco to start work at Triage Consulting.



Robbie Orvis graduated with distinction in May 2010 with a B.S. in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management and a minor in Geography.

Throughout his final semester, Robbie has been preparing for the LSAT and plans on taking it in June and applying to Law School in the fall. In the meantime, Robbie will be working in Washington, D.C., where he spent last summer working for the Natural Resources Defense Council, for either an environmental policy firm or a law firm. While at Cal, Robbie lived in the chapter house every semester following his pledge semester and has held many positions in the house. He looks forward to returning for gamedays in the future and plans on keeping in touch with the many friends he's made in Phi Gamma Delta. Lambda, lambda, lambda....

MOM'S DAY

The Fraternity of Phi Gamma Delta had its annual "Moms' Day" Sunday, April 25th. Festivities began at the chapter house where the Fiji brothers came together to show their appreciation of their mothers while displaying their wonderful fraternity. While at the chapter house the moms and sons enjoyed a wonderful catered lunch. Lunch was then followed by a trip to the city where the entire group attended the famous San Franciscan musical, Beach Blanket Babylon. BBB has been an institution in San Francisco since 1974 and despite its wild and wacky style it was a fun show for all. Everything turned out perfectly with mothers and sons all enjoying the day before returning back to Berkeley.



TOM MEYERSIECK AWARD

The Tom Meyersieck Award is given once a year to the Delta Xi Fiji who most contributes to the success of the chapter while working behind the scenes. The award is voted on by the actives and is a true honor to receive.

The winner for 2009 is Steve Saribalis '10. Steve is a former corresponding secretary and pledge educator. Steve's love for and dedication to the fraternity was never questioned and Steve was always known as a brother you could count on in a time of need.



2009 BELL-NORRIS SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to all of our Bell-Norris winners for 2009. We received more applications than ever before and felt that all were deserving of recognition. Many thanks to the graduate brothers who helped fund this award.

Andrew Tan '09 – Former Treasurer; GPA 3.66
Garrett Gorklitsky '10 – Former Recording Secretary, Philanthropy Chair; GPA 3.872
Jeff Howard '10 – Former President, Social Chair; GPA 3.504
James Zackler '10 – Former President; GPA 3.357
Jared Brett '11 – Former Historian, Recruitment Chair; GPA 3.644

Mark Cinque '11 – Former Corresponding Secretary, Social Chair; GPA 3.126
Jasper Drisko '11 – Former Recording Secretary, Recruitment Chair; GPA 3.897
Robert Sullivan '11 – Former Kitchen Manager, Summer Manager, Varsity Rugby; GPA 3.16
Garrett Gomes '12 – Recording Secretary; GPA 3.872

GRADUATE BROTHER NEWS

Donald J. Ludwig '51 is off to England again on the QM2 departing from N.Y. on the 15th of April, where he will be until next January when he will sail from England to L.A. on the new QE cruise ship. He will be playing golf twice a week there and trying to miss the rain. He gives his best to all the Fiji's.
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Peter Alan Crosby '67 "Dog Jowls" was married to Janet Stratford, Delta Gamma, Whitman College, on April 17, 2010.
CrosbyCGR@cs.com

Rodney P. Porter '93 was inducted in to the Cal Men's Volleyball Hall of Fame in January, 2010. As a player he won four straight national championships from 1989-92.
exercispecialist@yahoo.com

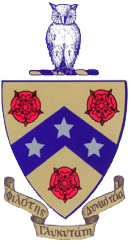
Edward R. Taylor '08 recently became engaged to his longtime girlfriend Amy and could not be more excited. He also just finished up his year term as Vice President of Operations for New Leaf Foods, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Taylor Fresh Foods. Next on the agenda is Harvard Business School where he will be studying for the next two years. While this is the opportunity of a lifetime, he is saddened by the simple fact he will be missing most/all Cal football games and the Frank Norris Pig Dinner. Regardless he will be back in full force in 2012!
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Conrad Myers '09 is back from a ten week excursion through 14 countries in Europe. He plans to continue his Real Estate career in San Francisco this fall.
conradmyers@gmail.com

Nicholas Bea '10 is finally graduating and moving back to San Francisco to join the many Fijis currently frequenting taco Tuesdays. More info as he decides if he ends up going to law school this year or decide to do the working thing instead.
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Kevin Land '11 lived in Barcelona from January until June where he studied business and economics, but he was taking all subjects in Spanish. It has been an unforgettable experience so far, and after meeting and working with amazing people from this city and others all over the world, he decided to expand his possible career and post-grad choices to include locations in Europe, especially Spain.

In July Kevin traveled to Cape Town, South Africa for 7 weeks to do an internship at a law firm. They worked with Apartheid Victims, refugees from the North, abused families, and prisoners. In August, he'll start his last year at Cal. I can't wait to finally live in the chapter house!
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