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FIJIs Dance for Charity!

In the name of philanthropy and entertainment, the men of Phi Gamma Delta surrendered their dignity for a night and performed in Pi Beta Phi's annual Arrow Bands Lip Sync/Dance competition. Each year, fraternities and sororities compete in front of several hundred raucous viewers packing the Bear's Lair to win money for their favorite charity. This year, ten FIJIs dressed up in costumes ranging from the green panty hose of Robin Hood's merry men, to the hilarious outfits worn by members of the Village People. When prizes were awarded at the end of the night, the "Macho Men In Tights" of Phi Gamma Delta stood victorious on center stage as winners of the men's competition.

The Chapter donated its share of the night's winnings, over four hundred dollars, to the Invisible Children Foundation. The non-

profit provides Northern Ugandan children with quality education and valuable life skills that enable them to take responsibility for their future and the future of their country.

The video of FIJIs performance along with the 2003 video can be accessed via:

www.CalFIJI2.org

The Men of FIJI show the Pi Beta Phi Arrow Band competition they can dance!



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UNDERGRADUATE REPORT

Greetings Graduate Brothers,

What a great year it's been! The Delta Xi Chapter has continued to set an example in excellence for the Cal Greek community as we continue to grow and strengthen our brotherhood. Our recruitment numbers are at a new high, our live-in numbers are strong, our intramural teams continue their success, and FIJI remains the strongest fraternity on campus.

The past year has seen the largest recruitment since our chapter's reinstatement. Our spring rush brought in five new brothers, bringing our total recruitment for the year to 21 new members. At this rate, our chapter looks to become the largest fraternity on campus by next spring. Our new members for the spring include several crew team members, as well as a brother all the way from Germany! With such a large recruitment effort, fall of 2007 will bring a stronger FIJI with increased live-in numbers.

Philanthropy was a strong part of our spring semester. Our new philanthropy chair, James Zackler '10, arranged a successful blood drive for the American Red Cross. Our brotherhood chair, Erik Bro '08, choreographed our winning "Men In Tights" routine for Pi Beta Phi's Arrow Bands dance competition, which earned us several hundred dollars to donate to humanitarian efforts in Uganda.

As fall approaches the excitement for football season builds. The season kicks off with a chance to even the score against Tennessee, and ESPN Gameday is scheduled to be there. Last year, our front porch was host to some serious alumni tailgating. If you would like to arrange for such an event, please contact Taylor Smith '04 (taylor.smith@fmgutucson.com, 510.868.4795). We always love to host reunions for past classes and meet with graduate brothers.

Speaking of alumni events, keep your calendars clear for the annual Norris Pig Dinner. Set your calendar for early November and look for invitations coming in the mail in the next couple months. Please contact our corresponding secretary, Kevin Davis '09 (kdavis01@berkeley.edu) to RSVP. By then we also hope to have completed our "chapter history room" to showcase past composites and photo albums of past Islanders and formals.

As always, we are looking for new FIJIs and your help is always appreciated. If you know of any Cal students that would make a great Cal FIJI, please send me his contact info (bclark86@gmail.com) so that we can get in touch with him.

Fraternally,

Bryan Clark '09
President, Delta Xi Chapter



GRADUATE REPORT

Last year was a fun year. Our Pig Dinner brought together many graduates both old and new, while also honoring some great graduate brothers. Football season was a blast with many FIJIs returning to the house for pre-game tailgates. We also were able to introduce many new FIJIs with over 20 new members joining the ranks. The brotherhood is pressing on at 2395 Piedmont Avenue.

Operationally, we are in good shape and are continually moving forward with our business plan. We are providing funds for the necessary improvements, accumulating funds for future work, and staying up with routine repairs. This past year we had to repair the ladies' bath floor, reinforce many of the common area walls, and install a new water heater.

Projects

Revisions in the fire code require us to upgrade our kitchen fire suppression system. This work must be done this summer. We also need to repair the balcony off the library. We have been accumulating bids over the past year to assess how best to restore the front porch; a project the Board has labeled as a high priority. We are also making plans to address roof and deck issues.

The website is being updated so please take a look. One of the best new features is that we are able to organize pictures by groups and events so it will be easy to identify your FIJI cohorts. We also will have our scholarship winners listed, graduate updates, and the profiles of our Hall of Fame inductees.

Fall Events

Last year we had several classes organize tailgates at the house with great success. The classes of '76 - '78 are planning to meet for the Tennessee game. Based on last year's season opener it should be a great time. If you would like to organize an event at the house please contact Taylor Smith '04 (taylor.smith@fmgtucson.com, 510.868.4795).

This coming year the Board is looking to involve both the graduates and undergraduates in two events:

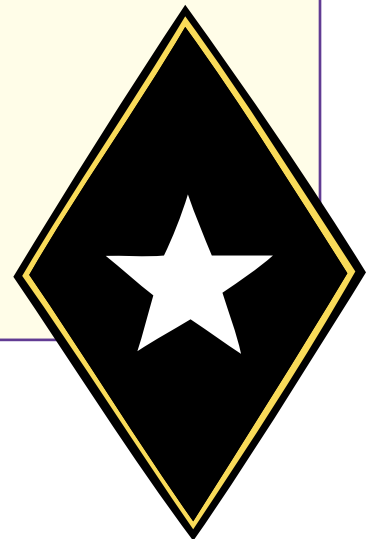
1. Recognizing our scholarship winners.
2. Welcoming our new members.

We hope you will make the effort to join us at these events, with more details will come.

Brotherhood and lifelong friendships are alive and well at FIJI. If at least two of your best friends are FIJIs then you know they are the ones we know we can count on. So stay in touch and involved. Participate with your graduate dues. Let's be at the top of all Cal fraternities in the number of alumni who give back. Our board and annual fund committee have set a goal of 200 donors out of our base of 800. Help us endow the future success of Delta Xi.

Fraternally,

Martin Smith '76
President
Delta Xi House Corporation





Moms' Day

Mothers Enjoy a Day at FIJI

On April 22nd the brothers put on our annual Moms' Day at the chapter house. The mothers arrived at 11:00 a.m. on a Sunday for brunch, a tour of the house, and a movie. This year we forwent attending a play like year's past, and instead showed Billy Wilder's classic *Some Like it Hot* starring Jack Lemmon, Tony Curtis, and the amazing Marilyn Monroe. The mothers thoroughly enjoyed the screwball comedy as did the brothers who were surprised an old movie could be so good. The mothers enjoyed the chance to meet each other and to see that the house was in pristine shape.

Our new cook, Kevin Coupe, was on hand to prepare a nice brunch complete with all the tidings and more importantly, mimosas. He has been the most professional and well-received cook since the re-chartering. Over twelve mothers were in attendance and all had a great time. Our annual Dads' Day will be held in the fall during a football gameday. The date is T.B.A. but we hope to see several dads there.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
2007 FRANK NORRIS PIG DINNER
November 9th at the Chapter House
 The 2007 Frank Norris Pig Dinner is set for Friday, November 9th so get ready! Look for your invitation in the upcoming months. Check www.CalFIJI2.org for news and updates!

DELTA XI *needs your support...*



Delta Xi continues to excel in academics, campus involvement, and service. Your support is a large part of that success. Many graduate brothers have already pledged their support to Delta Xi and now we, the 2007 Annual Fund Committee, ask for your support too.

Our 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:

Bell - Norris Scholarship Award

Given to those members who excel in scholastics, fraternity involvement, and community service.

Tom Meyersieck Award

Given to the member who most contributes to the success of the Chapter while working behind the scenes.

Whether it be our annual 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.

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FIJI Blood Drive A Success

This past May Day was marked with our biannual blood drive co-sponsored by the Red Cross. Held at the Delta Xi chapter house in both the dining and living rooms, the drive was once again a success reaping more than our goal of forty units of blood.

Brothers worked hard to recruit friends and strangers alike. Greeks from over seven different chapters donated. Those brothers not in class donated as well and there was rarely a time when there wasn't a line.

The Red Cross arrived shortly before 10 A.M. and did not leave until well after their 4 P.M. ending time. Brothers jumped (were roused) out of bed to help them set up for the official start at 11 A.M. carrying boxes and other supplies up the front steps.

This was the first large event organized by the house's new philanthropy chair, James Zackler '10. James did a superb job organizing and motivating participation which resulted in this event going off without a hitch. It seems that James is carrying on his older brother Phil's '05 legacy of service to his brothers and community.



SPONSOR A TAILGATE AT THE FIJI HOUSE

Need a great spot to host you and your friends' tailgate party? Want to get together with your pledge brothers and host a function? What better venue than the FIJI house? The Grad Board is working in conjunction with the undergraduates to get more alumni back to the chapter house for gameday celebrations, and what better way than a tailgate?

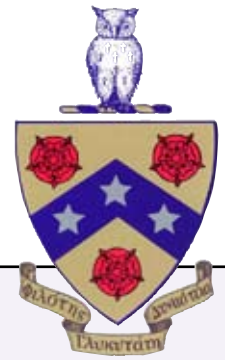
If you would like more information please contact Taylor Smith '04 (taylor.smith@fmgtucson.com) or Bryan Clark '09 (bclark87@gmail.com).

Home Football Schedule

09/01	vs.	Tennessee	10/13	vs.	Oregon State
09/15	vs.	Louisiana Tech	11/03	vs.	Washington State
09/22	vs.	Arizona	11/10	vs.	USC



Senior Bios



Alan Donner

This May I graduated with a degree in political science. I am originally from Orinda, where I went to Miramonte High School. During my tenure at FIJI I served as president and historian and was honored with the Bell-Norris scholarship. I also spent a semester in the UCDC academic program in Washington, D.C. where my research paper focused on controlling long-term spending growth in health care. While in D.C. I also interned at the Domestic Policy Council at the White House. Post-grad plans are backpacking through Europe for the summer and upon return, working for Triage Consulting Group in San Francisco in the fall.



Alex Pribble

My name is Alex Pribble, a graduating senior from Delta Xi. During my time at Berkeley I am proud of three accomplishments: walking onto the basketball team, earning my degree, and becoming a member of Phi Gamma Delta.



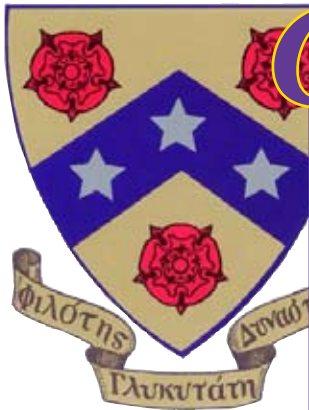
Balancing athletics, academics, and fraternity life was a tough challenge. Eventually I found successes in all realms, starting my final eight games on the basketball team, earning three-time academic All-American honors, and becoming an active member of FIJI. In the future I hope to continue with my academic pursuit at Berkeley, attending graduate school in the field of education. During

that time I will also be working on the coaching staff for the basketball team and living with my brothers at Phi Gamma Delta.



Connor Buestad

My name is Connor Buestad and I am graduating with a degree in mass communications. Next year I plan to attend the MBA program at California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks. I originally came to Cal as a junior transfer from the College of Marin. I pledged FIJI in the fall of 2005. I am a member of the Iota class. During my time at Cal, I was a member of the baseball team. Deciding to pledge FIJI was one of the best decisions I ever made as an undergrad. I have learned so many valuable life lessons that will carry me through the rest of my life. Virtually every FIJI I've ever encountered has taught me something worthwhile. I will always cherish the memories I made as a FIJI.



Graduate Updates!

Your brothers would love to hear how things are going for you! Please consider telling us how work is going, what your family is up to, and anything else that you'd like to share with your fellow graduate brothers. Now is not the time to be modest. Please submit updates to CalFIJI@CalFIJI2.org



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