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Elves undergo seismic retrofit



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LOTHLORIEN STUDENTS PREPARE FOR RETROFIT Loth students, known as Elves, take a break from cleaning out the house in preparation for its retrofit. Displayed are posters with information about Lothlorien, its retrofit, and the BSC's campaign to make all its properties safe.

Loth lies on Hayward Fault

Lothlorien's survival of the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake does not indicate that it will survive a seismic event on the Hayward Fault, which runs past its backyard. The 1989 earthquake was caused by movement of the San Andreas Fault.

Lothlorien North House, which rated as high risk, was retrofitted during the summer of 2009 with funds from the BSC retrofit bond.

The bond funds have been used for higher risk houses, and BSC students continue to make debt payments.

EACH STUDENT PAYS...

\$1,093 /year

for completed, bond-financed retrofits

\$281 /year

to save for future retrofits

\$1,374 /year

total

Elves prepare for retrofit

Alfred Twu

Recent Lothlorien Alumnus

"Elves," as Lothlorien residents are affectionately known, initially looked to the South House earthquake retrofit construction, which involved closing the kitchen, with much apprehension.

While the house had already been through the retrofit of North House three

summers ago, for a vegan/vegetarian themed house, the kitchen had been the crossroads of life. Kale just wouldn't cook as well in a microwave.

However, the inconvenience did come with a silver lining; Elves received a 33% rent rebate that made Lothlorien one of the most affordable places to live in town, at roughly \$350 a month.

After a hectic move-out in the middle of graduation, the house population plunged from 58 residents and 20+ boarders to just a dozen.

With the construction turning out quieter than expected, the tall halls of North House turned calmer than Euclid. Councils; normally weekly occasions, that sometimes rivaled Board meetings in length became streamlined every-other-week affairs. Elves savored their "dingles" (doubles that were being designated as singles) and pondered what to do with the empty bedrooms. As there were theoretically no dishes to do, workshifts were assigned not by time but by area of the house.

Rather than dull, however, Loth's summer without a kitchen proved to be full of

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Reflections of a co-op food manager

Levon Minassian

Cloyne Alumnus

Since the start of last fall semester, I have been one of two food managers at Cloyne Court, the largest house within the Berkeley Student Cooperative system.

I decided to run for the position the previous spring, when my fellow housemate Maddie Tien asked if I would join her in being responsible for food-related matters within our house of 150 members.

Food and kitchen managers in the Berkeley Student Cooperative are elected by the members of their houses, and their main tasks revolve around ordering food for common use and dinners. Some of the co-ops have only one, while larger houses like ours split the duties between two managers and have another two managers be in charge of the kitchen and its cleanliness.

Our main job is to buy food for our respective houses based on the collective preferences of our members as well as a food budget that credits \$9.35 per resident per day.

Each member has the ability to express dietary preferences regarding budget allocation through surveys, house meetings or other methods by which opinions are cultivated. This process occurs differently at each house, but a common norm is that members are very vocal about knowing where

their food comes from and are eager to express their preferences.

While some may see this as a privilege for students — not having to worry about eating enough food to get through college — I believe that this has been one of the most important values that living in the co-ops alerts you to and that will stay with members after they leave.

Having lived in Cloyne since Spring 2011, I've come to see multiple shifts in the house's food preferences and simultaneous changes in the kinds of foods in the kitchen as well as a constant level of concern about where food has come from.

Sometimes, some voices would be much louder than others. Each semester, though, the debate within the house can be roughly boiled down to whether to buy with an environmentally responsible mindset or prioritize low costs, which surrounds the co-op's mission statement of how to prioritize low cost and quality housing. While ordering food, I've tried to find a balance between the two concepts.

In determining how to find this balance, I've relied on our members' constant comments and conversations to guide how I spend the budget.

Some members only wanted organic quinoa cereals, and others preferred cereals laced in sugar.

Some only wanted fair-trade chocolate chips, while others felt any chocolate chips were a staple, regardless

of where they came from.

Most of our members were happy with the cow we bought direct from a farmer in Petaluma, but I also received complaints that the levels of meat at dinners was both too high and too low.

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I only purchased organic produce, but whether we should buy in-season or local, depending on the price difference, also yielded differences of opinions.

In our pantry, we purchased a mixture of organic dried goods, as well as commercial ones such as brown rice, to reduce costs.

My experience has convinced me that any time a large number college students are put in charge of feeding themselves, there is bound to be lots of disagreement. But living in a co-op, where members have an equal say and equal share, has ensured that these disagreements are resolved through deliberation and debate rather than arbitrary decision-making.

Holding the food manager position at Cloyne has given me the opportunity to have these conversations to

determine what is best to order while incorporating the dietary preferences and concerns for the environment that our house has had. I find great value in having them, because they have prompted me to analyze where the food I order and eat comes from, how it is produced and whether it is cost-effective. When people see something in the way that food arrives on their plate that they don't like, they should have the chance to voice their concerns about it. Being a part of the co-ops allows students to engage with the food system this way.

These conversations fulfill what I see as a simple responsibility we all have of knowing how our dietary habits affect the people that produce our food and the land it is produced on.

One of the main things I have learned upon leaving Cloyne is that such dialogues need to be expanded in order for communities to understand how their diets relate to the issues of nutrition, food access, farm labor and environmental protection. The voices that I've been witnessing while ordering food over the past year makes me optimistic that such discussions are on the rise.

During his time at Cloyne (2011-13), Levon Minassian served as Food Manager, Board Representative, and Kitchen Manager. He majored in Political Science and minored in Philosophy, and is currently looking for work while studying for the GRE. He can be contacted at levon.minassian@gmail.com.

Food service evolution in the Co-op

Jon Lampman

Cloyne Alumnus

How do Co-op alumni remember food service when we lived in one of the room and board houses? For a lot of older alumni, Central Kitchen played a prominent role in preparing and serving food.

It was staffed by the dietician Mrs. Ramos and chef Andres Castro, along with other workers and students serving workshifts.

Workshifters delivered food in large trays known as CK pans to each house. The menu almost always included a meat dish, starch, sometimes a salad and vegetables. Dinner menus were planned monthly, mimeographed and posted in each Co-op.

We sought refuge at a nearby Top Dog on “green death” nights, when apple lamb curry was served. We had limited hot lunches but most Co-op residents took a sack lunch to campus for their daily activities.

Dogs roamed the campus looking for a wayward somewhat bulky paper bag. One time, as I ate a sack lunch near the Campanile, I temporarily set down my lunch and within a second a dog snatched it away.

What is food service like today in the room and board houses? House-level budgeting, menu planning, ordering, and preparation of meals are completely handled by the students in the room and board houses, with support

from what is now called Central Food and Supplies.

Levon Minassian, who recently graduated from Cal, served as one of two food services managers at Cloyne, a house of 149 students. The Daily Cal published a well written article by Levon on June 5, 2013, which is reprinted in this newsletter.

I recently talked to Levon to learn more about his role. Levon said that the food managers use informal polling and house meetings to determine food preferences.

Cloyne, like many houses, has a great diversity of food preferences, both in terms of taste and politics. A strong constituency favors local and organic food while some vocal mem-

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bers prioritize the cost.

There are also many ways in which the food managers had to meet the varied diets of members who are vegan, gluten-free, or have other food allergies.

It is amazing how the food managers at the Berkeley Student Cooperative can balance the competing food interests and still make pur-



CENTRAL KITCHEN IN THE BEGINNING While its role today primarily concerns supporting house-level budgeting and ordering, Central Kitchen used to be a central facet in preparing and serving food. Above, Andres Castro runs central kitchen.

chases based on a \$9.20/day/person allocation from Central Office. The food budget for each semester numbers over \$90,000 at Cloyne and requires careful budgeting to distribute throughout the course of 17 weeks.

Levon set weekly food expenditure targets for major items like produce and meat. Central Office accounting staff provided him with Cloyne Court food expenditure data and he kept track of the house budget on a spreadsheet. Along with his co-manager Maddie Tien, he held “office hours” every Monday afternoon to explain food purchase and menu choices to any interested resident.

Levon explained that some Co-op houses supplement their food allocation with funds from the house account.

Many of the food man-

agers find creative ways of budgeting and finding deals (including bread donations from alumni-founded Semifreddi's and Acme artisan bread companies) to utilize economies of scale and get the food that their houses wanted.

They also plan for special meals. In the case of Cloyne, they have a special dinner and special brunch each semester. Interested residents contribute a \$20 fee to the house account for these events.

It is quite impressive what BSC members can accomplish when given the opportunity.

John Lampman lived at Barrington (1967-1968) and Cloyne (1968-1969). He was the Social Director at Cloyne for most of 1969. Lampman is now retired after working for the U.S. Department of Labor for 37 years. He can be contacted at sandyjon@sbcglobal.net

From the Archives:

If you can identify any of the people, places, or events pictured here, please email Madeleine Loh at mloh@bsc.coop with your stories so we can print them in the next issue!



FILE PHOTOS



From the Archives:

Below are responses from our Spring 2013 issue. A big thanks to everyone who contributed to identifying co-ops in our photos!



Picture #25:

Muriel, my wife and also a co-oper, thinks the person next to Barbara Protter is Jan Taylor, now Jan Denny, wife of Pete Denny who was also at Ridge Project that first year. Hope someone can confirm.

Jonathan Heritage (Cloyne Court 1962-1966, Ridge Project, Fall 1966, Northside Apartments 1970-1975)

Picture #25:

From left to right the people in the picture are Heide Wolgemuth, unknown (can't make out the face), Barbara Protter, and Ed Robey. The picture was taken from the roof of the Ridge Project (now Casa Zimbabwe) either in late 1966 or early 1967, the only times that Heide was the "house mother" at Ridge Project. This was the first year the Ridge Project opened, and Barbara and Ed (who were at Cloyne Court the year before) were among the original residents. When we moved in we had to help with the construction of some of the finishing touches to the building.

I enjoyed Bernie Altman's reminiscences of the Spring 1966 senior banquet at Cloyne Court in on page 16 of the last issue (Ed Robey, above, was there, too), the notorious food fight (Jello was sticking to the walls!), and Steve Danzer's momentous entry down the hall and into the dining room on his motorcycle. I especially remember the sight of the girl riding on the back of Steve's bike...Sharon Mayer, who is now my wife of 43+ years! Who knew?

Larry Lewis (Cloyne Court, Ridge Project 1965-69)



Picture #26:

I think this picture was taken on one of the balconies on the Dwight Way side of Barrington. I've seen pictures of Barrington before the Navy took control - before the war, in other words. There were balconies at the end of each hallway, so the building had a little more character than it does now, stripped of the balconies. The reason I'm pretty sure it's on the Dwight Way side is because you can see the apartment building at the corner of Dwight and Ellsworth in the background, across the parking lot.

Tom Cluster (Barrington 1964-66)

Please join us for the BSC's 80th Anniversary Weekend Celebrations

Anniversary Gala Dinner

Saturday, October 19, 2013

6:00 - 10:00 PM

Hs Lordships Restaurant

199 Seawall Drive, Berkeley

\$100 BSC Alumni Association members

\$150 Nonmembers, includes 1 year membership

\$80 sponsor a student

Individual tickets available at bscaa.org/events

Contact Madeleine Loh for the following:

\$1,000 for a table of 10, includes 2 bottles of champagne.

Table sponsorships at \$10,000, \$7,500, \$5,000, and

\$2,500 to help us retrofit buildings for students' safety.

Sponsors will be recognized in the program.

ELEANOR ROOSEVELT SPOKE AT OUR 25TH!

Eleanor Roosevelt is pictured speaking with then-BSC President TZ Chu ▶

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Please check
bscaa.org/events for updates
and additional events!



Happy Hour in New York City

For those keeping track, Happy Hour in New York City has become a regular, happy occurrence. Would you like to meet alumni in your area? Contact Madeleine Loh, who can provide you with an alumni list.

Richard Lira &
Gretchen Taylor

*BSC Alumnus and
BSC Friend*

Richard Lira (Barrington 1963-64, Ridge House 1964-67) and his wife, Gretchen Taylor, organized a BSC Alumni Happy Hour at their Times Square hotel bar on Wednesday May 22, 2013. They were joined by a lot of terrific Co-op and Cal alumni along with some exciting non-Cal grads associated with their Cal significant others. The group of 14, with their blue and gold glitter, was the life of the party at Staybridge Bar.

Richard and Gretchen, who live in San Mateo, CA, went to NYC to hang out with Richard's high school chums: Paul Brent, Cal '68 Arch, and his wife, Lana Jane; Archie Perrin, Cal '68 BA, MA, PhD, and his wife, **Marijean Byrne Jerrell**, who lived in Barrington the Summer of '63 (Marijean told the Barrington House Manager to watch out for Richard when he was to show up as a freshman in Fall '63).

The group also included 2012 University Medialist, **Eric Oliff** (Cloyne 2009-11). Eric is working

in NYC as Chief of Staff to the Managing Partner at Accretive LLC, a private investment firm. He also has been assisting Accretive LLC's managing partner with his international philanthropic efforts regarding tiger conservation through the Tigers Forever Initiative as well as managing various projects and researching innovative solutions to long-standing problems in the field of wildlife conservation. Immediately before the Happy Hour Richard and Gretchen videotaped an interview with Eric about his experience in the BSC, which will be featured at the 80th Anniversary Gala on October 19.

Joshua Stein (Oxford 1973-74, Ridge House 1975-76, Castro 1976) is a lawyer specializing in commercial real estate. He has published five books and many articles. A couple of years ago he opened his own law office in NYC, Joshua Stein PLLC. At the end of the Happy Hour, Joshua left to attend the Mortgage Bankers Association Board Meeting of which he is chairman of the Education Committee.

Nick Hamilton (Wilde 2002-06, President 04-05), is Project Manager at The

American Assembly, a public policy research group affiliated with Columbia University. Prior to joining The Assembly, he worked at the Earth Institute Center for Sustainable Urban Development at Columbia University. He is eager to host a BSCAA event at his home in Harlem.

Janak Ramakrishman (Stebbins 2003-06, Northside 2006-08), a software engineer for Google in New York City, brought a prototype Google Glass for everybody to play with. It even worked well when Richard put it on over his regular glasses. Janak still volunteers his time to maintain the BSC Workshift software program, which he created as a student. Janak brought along **Chris England** (Stebbins) who was visiting him from Georgetown University. Janak also introduced us to Liz Zanis who works at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Richard ran into her there the next day after the Happy Hour when he got lost from the rest of his friends. This illustrates an advantage of the "more the merrier" principle.

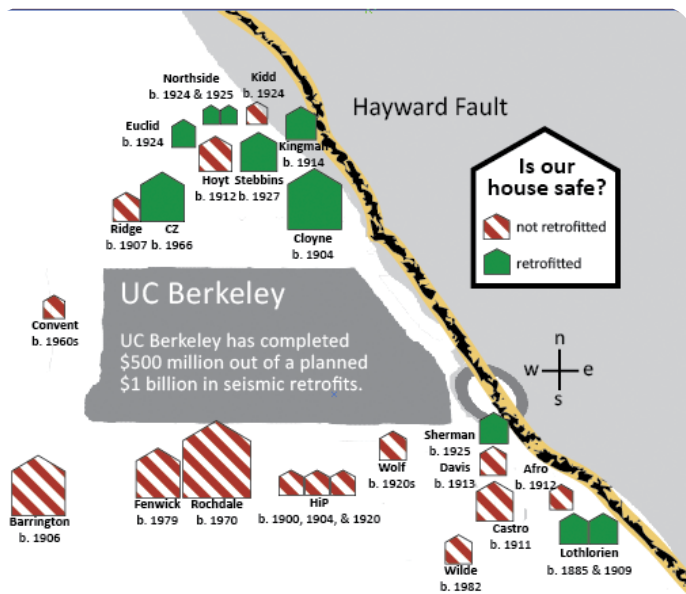
Margot Adler (Hoyt 1965-67) was last to arrive but was a big hit with every-

body and especially Richard's high school friends. She is a correspondent for National Public Radio programs, including "All Things Considered." She shared with us how lucky she was to take advantage of opportunities that led to her career with NPR, and even said she may not have had the same opportunities were she starting out her journalism career today.

"I've been to most of the NY happy hours because I loved my time in Hoyt. I've met older alumni and younger alumni at the happy hours, and I'm glad to see that the Berkeley Student Cooperative is still a great place for students."

- Margot Adler

She also shared stories about an aunt who was a holocaust survivor. Her grandfather was the psychiatrist Alfred Adler who some will recognize as the psychiatrist that introduced the concept of the inferiority complex.



20 Properties Built Before Modern Seismic Safety Standards Within 1 Mile of the Hayward Fault

BSC RETROFITS PROGRESS Lothlorien is the latest retrofit in a series of preparations around the Hayward fault.

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variety, as the normally insular house turned outwards to other co-ops and the world.

One week, social coordinators Whitney and Alice set up sample dinners at Wolf, Oscar Wilde, Davis, and Castro for folks interested in boarding at another house. Arrangements were also made with African-American Theme House for those not interested in boarding but wanting access to kitchen and laundry facilities.

This elf was pleased to see that the aversion to eating animals has spread to many houses - with the exception of Wolf (but of course!), most of the other houses have fully vegetarian meals at least a few days a week, and vegan options at most if not all dinners.

Ultimately, about a third of the house chose to board,

with equal numbers going to each of the four Southside houses with food service.

In the meantime, students from around the world made their way to Loth. Studying or working for the summer, with many in California for the first time, they did not mind the lack of food as they were eager to get out of the house and explore the area anyway. Within a few weeks, the house had filled up, becoming home to students from New York, Chicago, Brazil, China, Sweden, and Ireland.

We gave them all a great 4th of July party on the sun-deck which went well past quiet hours until "Sarah Neighbor" called, and with a sigh of "Freedom's over", the party moved inside.

Members of Loth's many sister houses up and down the west coast also dropped in as summer residents or

visiting guests, including a couple folks from the Lorax in Eugene and Alex from Synergy at Stanford, who brought his skills as Synergy health worker to fill a vacant position at Loth.

statewide higher education sustainability conference and hiked the John Muir trail. House manager Pristine organized weekly surf trips to the beach.

With so many folks com-

Funding for Lothlorien South House and other BSC buildings rely on donations to get our retrofits completed quickly while keeping the BSC affordable.

Many older re-entry students also called Loth home. One had first been at Loth seven years ago while taking a break from tree-sitting near Memorial Stadium. No one recognized him now, his dreadlocks replaced by a clean cut and button-down shirts. Sabine, longtime CZar, artist of Telegraph life for decades, and studying to teach Montessori elementary school, moved in for the second half of summer.

David Allen (now just David, as we went from having 4 Davids to just one), led many a calculus study group in the Loth library with students from Berkeley City College. Though having recently served in the Army, David felt right at home at Loth and his ground-floor room opening onto the library/kitchen has been a popular hangout this summer.

The cheap rent was also popular with old elves who planned to be traveling for part of the summer. Whitney went to a 10-day Vipassana silent meditation, while Claire attended a

ing and going, the house took on a hostel vibe and there was only a single week where workshifts didn't change. However, even as a mere shadow of its former self, the Loth kitchen - reduced to a toaster, microwave, and coffee-maker, continued to draw people in as the crossroads of the house.

There was hardly a dull moment. Stephen Hatton, one of the six Irish, was quoted in a Daily Cal article on the annual wave of Irish students in Berkeley: "We definitely have a lot of stories from Loth. People won't believe us when we get home."

Alfred Twu lived in Afro House (2003-06) and Lothlorien (2007-2011). He has also boarded at both Loth (2011-present) and Wilde (2013-present). Alfred has held all house-level positions (with the exceptions of House President and House Manager), served on Cabinet, and worked as Communications Coordinator at Central Office (2011-2013). He can be contacted at firstcultural@gmail.com.

BSC increases summer membership and revenue

Policy changes increase summer occupancy

Caroline Murphy

Publications Coordinator

The BSC has changed its summer housing policies as a part of an overall plan to raise capacity, grow new membership, and increase revenue after past deficits.

These new policies aim to gradually increase summer capacity to 100% over the course of three years in part by eliminating both the single-room and rent-sharing policies. The BSC has changed its summer housing policies as a part of an overall plan to raise capacity, grow new membership, and increase revenue after past deficits.

Both summer occupancy and new membership have risen sharply. Summer occupancy climbed up to 1141 residents this year, up from 996 in 2010. There were 701 new members this summer—more than three times as many as the BSC had during Spring 2013.

Prior to the policy changes, all rooms in the houses became singles each summer (except quads, which became doubles). In addition to this, members could find someone to share their room with under rent-sharing, meaning that both partners paid 2/3 of the regular rate.

This model didn't bring in enough revenue to cover summer expenses. There were 312 fewer members during the summer period than there were during the academic year, which result-



HOUSES INCREASE OCCUPANCY Peter Hook (left) and another czar spend time in CZ's courtyard over the summer.

ed in an operating deficit of \$427,197 each year (based on summer 2010 data). The burden of this deficit fell on the academic year budget.

In researching potential policy changes, the BSC discovered that discontinuing the single-room and rent-share policies could reduce the summer deficit by \$366,090.

This would simply mean that the Summer member assignment process would be the same as the one used during the Fall and Spring; each house would have room bids based on seniority to determine the distribution of singles, doubles, and triples.

These increases in capacity are being done gradually over a three-year period for the purposes of a smoother transition process, allowing for issues to be addressed as they come up as well as for the growth of house-level support.

Kitchen and storage capacities are one concern that a gradual roll-out hopes to address. Although

most houses don't have food service during the summer, issues such as storage space for personal food, basic staple foods, and stolen food have required the support of a kitchen manager responsible for storage, cleanliness, and food procurement at every house.

The plan was developed in Spring 2011 when the BSC contracted with a group of Haas Business consultant advisors. In Fall, the Operations Committee reviewed the recommendations and selected an operating model and three-year plan.

Bianca Lorenz, who was summer board representative, was sad to leave, "It was a life changing experience to meet and engage with so many different personalities and backgrounds from around the world in a cooperative environment."

Caroline Murphy is the Publications Coordinator for the BSC. She lived in CZ for the summer and is staying for the Fall. She can be contacted at carolinemurphy@berkeley.edu.



HOUSES OPEN UP TO MORE MEMBERS Selena Feliciano was a new member over the summer and is staying for fall. She gives yoga lessons regularly at CZ.

What should I wear to the 80th Anniversary Gala?



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FILE PHOTOS

Cloyne volunteers for literature in prison

Students give back 375 hours

Caitlyn Kelly-Kilgore

Recent Cloyne Facilities Manager

Seventy-five Cloyne students provide 5 hours of volunteer service each semester to strengthen the Berkeley Student Cooperative's relationship with the surrounding community.

This past spring semester, Cloyne students volunteered for the Prisoners Literature project by reading and responding to letters from prisoners, and selecting and packing books for shipment to inmates to meet the house's community service obligation.

The Berkeley Student Cooperative instituted a plan around the reopening of Cloyne following its retrofit under which half the house, roughly 75 people, must do at least 5 hours of community service per semester. The other half must work on house improvement projects. Members who do not complete their 5 hours

of community service or home improvement are fined.

Cloyne's community service is organized by the Community Service Coordinator, elected by the house, who combines their interests and the house's interests in doing volunteering events which are both meaningful to the individuals at Cloyne and the individuals in the community.

The Cloyne Court Community Service Coordinator for Spring 2013, Yurie Iwako, organized seven volunteer events for the house, including three visits to the Prisoners Literature Project. Groups of 10-15 Cloyne volunteers went to the PLP operations in downtown Berkeley in March, April and May.

The Prisoners Literature Project began in the early 1980s through Bound Together Books in San Francisco, and has since operated entirely on volunteers and donations as a 501(c)3 non-profit group. It sends free books to prisons in the United States as a way of helping prisoners work towards social and inner

change by means of access to literature.

The Prisoner's Literature Project welcomes all volunteers and donations; information about how to get involved may be found at prisonersliteratureproject.com.

For more information about past and future community service events

with Cloyne Court, please contact Madeleine Loh at mloh@bsc.coop.

Caitlyn Kelly-Kilgore lived in Wilde (2006), Kingman (2007-10), and Lothlorien (2010-11). After graduation, she worked as the Cloyne Facilities Manager and also served as the BSC Employee Association President.



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STUDENTS HELP MAIL BOOKS From left, Chika Kondo, Haley Kitchens, and Ashwin Marathe volunteer with the Prisoner's Literature Project.

BSC does archival work with Bancroft

Exhibition to open Oct. 1

Madeleine Loh

Development Director

On October 1, the Bancroft Library will be unveiling its exhibition celebrating the 80-year history of the Berkeley Student Cooperative.

This exhibition will be the culmination of a year-long collaboration with the Bancroft Library which included the preparation and transfer of BSC historical documents to the Bancroft archives.

"The BSC's most important papers can finally be stored using the highest archival standards, and available to the public," says project lead and recent resident of Kingman Hall, Alex Sizemore-Smale.

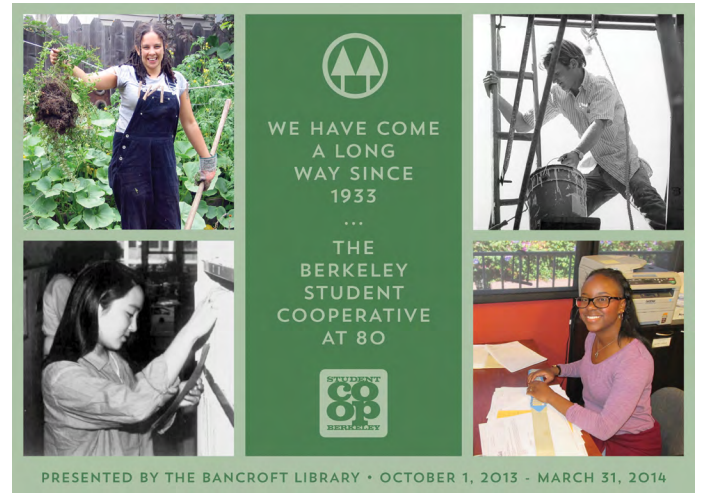
Alex's work was made possible by her position as the BSC's Project Management Intern, a 15 hour per week position approved by the BSC's Board of Directors each semester.

Past Project Management Interns projects included the creation of the BSC's capital assets database and the BSC Alumni Association website.

The BSC selected Alex for the Bancroft project because of her previous experience working with prestigious institutions such as the Berkeley Art Museum, the Pacific Film Archive, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

Alex, who graduated in May 2013, considers the Bancroft project a valuable resume-builder.

Alex worked closely with Bancroft Library professionals, including Kathryn



Neal, Associate University Archivist, Alison Wannamaker, Exhibit Coordinator, and Josh Schneider, Archivist for Institutional Collections.

The Bancroft staff was thoroughly engaged in learning about the BSC, supplementing it with the Bancroft's already existing collections donated by Cooper alumni.

Kathi Neal even found BSC-related documents from the collections of Chancellor Clark Kerr! Alison Wannamaker went so far as to find Barrington Hall punk rock flyers through her punk rock enthusiast contacts.

The meticulous preparation of documents involved scanning Board minutes dating back to the 1930s, turning scanned digital files into searchable PDFs and organizing the records according to the Bancroft's file naming system.

Archiving the physical documents involved storing materials in acid free files, filing materials chronologically, and labeling the materials with the collection's

unique call number.

Alex estimates that we scanned 60 years of Board documents, totaling 11,000 pages. Alex was assisted by fellow BSC members Norman Cahn, Andrew Godor, Caroline Murphy, and Tiffany Xu. Alex and her team also made the digitally scanned documents searchable by character (OCR'd).

Unfortunately, time constraints meant that the BSC could not also transfer its vintage photographs, although many will be featured in the exhibit.

One of the benefits of this project has been the space created by the removal of accumulated volumes of Board minutes.

"We are so happy that the 'vault' downstairs can be cleared of years of documents," says Pat Jang, who manages Central Office space in addition to book-keeping.

Madeleine Loh works as the Development Director at the BSC. She has lived in Davis House (1993-1996) and Rochdale Village (2002-2004). She can be contacted at mloh@bsc.coop.



BSC COLLABORATES WITH BANCROFT Recent Kingman alumna Alex Sizemore-Smale (left) reviews archived documents with Bancroft Archivist Josh Schneider.

Alumni Notes

Stan Smith (Cloyne 1947-51) and **Edythe Warshauer Hickman** (Sherman 1945-47) recently discovered that they live in the same senior community in Palo Alto and shared their Co-op experiences over coffee with Madeleine Loh.

Stan grew up in a small town of Delano City and was one of the younger men living in Cloyne. He is particularly appreciative of the exposure he got to the variety of background and experiences of the other housemates, many of whom were veterans. He studied electrical engineering, a very challenging major, but Cloyne provided a studious environment and plenty of academically-minded housemates to motivate him. Stan's contributions to Cloyne included installing electrical outlets and building the gang shower in the basement (which was removed in the 2009 retrofit). After graduation, he got an MBA from Stanford and had a career with Hewlett-Packard.

Edythe moved from New York at the young age of 16 to attend UC Berkeley. She took a hiatus after one year and re-enrolled after hearing about the deal she could get at Sherman Hall. She remembers all the fun they had at Sherman Hall, some of which involved ducking around the rules set by the house conduct officers. While at Sherman Hall she met her future husband, **Bert Hickman**, who was attending naval academy

and living in Callahan Hall (now known as International House). They married in Sherman's living room in 1947 (pictured above).

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Julie Cole (Stebbins 1968-69) knows in detail



1947 SHERMAN WEDDING Edythe Warshauer Hickman was living in Sherman Hall when she met Bert Hickman, who was attending Navy officer training at Berkeley and living in Callahan Hall (now known as International House). They married in 1947 in the living room of Sherman Hall. Edythe purchased ferns to decorate the fireplace mantle.

the prank that Stebbins committed upon Cloyne that precipitated the painting of the Stebbins hands by the Cloyne boys, but will reveal the details at the

upcoming Stebbins Hall reunion!

She stayed in Berkeley after college and had a career teaching junior high school math. She now teaches carpentry to elementary school kids in an after school program.

period. My sister **Lorraine Fradkin Hauser** lived at Sherman Hall and **Shelly Fradkin Bickoff** lived in Stebbins.

Times certainly have changed. When I was at Cloyne Court, UC Berkeley did not charge tuition, but instead had an 'incidental fee' of \$35 per semester, and the monthly charge at the Co-op was less than \$50 with the requirement of a 5 hour/week workshift. It was possible for me to work a part-time job of 16 hours/week, which put myself through University without any outside financial help or student loans!

After I graduated from Cal in Engineering Physics, I worked for Shell Oil Company as an Exploration Engineer. I later got a Ph.D. from Iowa State University, and then served as a professor at the Department of Physics and Astronomy at Wayne State University. My wife and I retired to Oregon in 1995.

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Erika T. Lin (Castro, 1993-94), now an Assistant Professor of English at George Mason University, has just published a book, *Shakespeare and the Materiality of Performance*.

Drawing on scientific treatises, murder pamphlets, travel narratives, dream manuals, religious sermons, festive sports, and other fascinating primary sources, this book reconstructs playgoers' typical ways of thinking and feel-

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David Fradkin (Cloyne 1948-52) says, "I served as Board Representative from Cloyne Court for a short

ing and reveals how these culturally-trained habits of mind shaped audience assumption of early modern theatre.

Her current research grows out of her participation in the U.C.-Berkeley Shakespeare Program for which she directed *Cymbeline* and acted in numerous other plays.

◆
Kevin Peterson (Cloyne 1985, Lothlorien 1985-89) was USCA President from

1988-89. He has served in the Peace Corps (Togo), trained in medicine and public health (Berkeley '02), and worked in HIV patient care and research including 7 years in The Gambia. He is now working on his PhD on HIV care in West Africa and completing medical residency training in Antwerp, Belgium, where he lives with his wife of 20+ years and two children.

Anyone interested in reaching him, including old friends and current BSC

members considering life choices for which his experiences may be relevant, may do so through Madeline Loh at CO (mloh@bsc.coop).

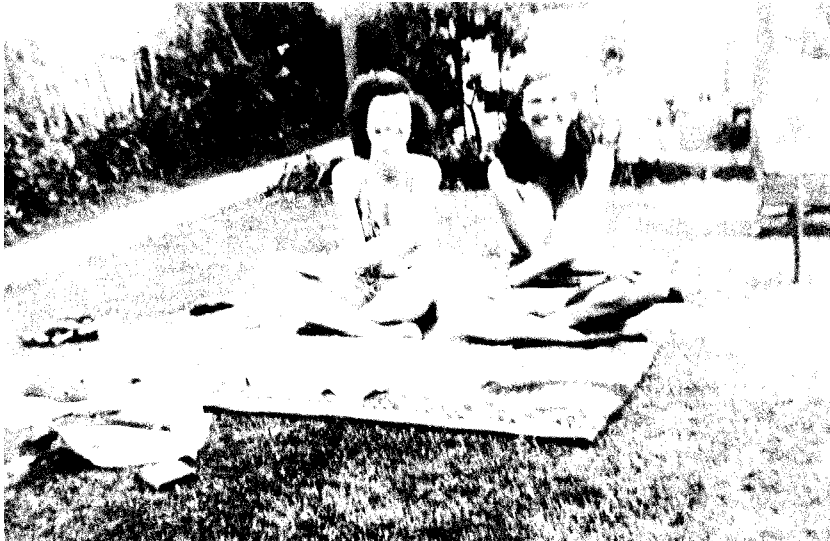
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Carl Shapiro (Barrington 1938-40) lived in Barrington Hall during law school. Carl received his undergraduate degree from Harvard, where his philosophy professor David Prall told Carl about Barrington Hall, which cost only

\$22.50/month plus four hours of workshift/week.

Carl was the Sunday cook for Barrington; the other meals were prepared by "Fitz." He first lived in a room with two guys named Tom Perry and Tom Berry. The one who was bald became a judge, and the other was killed in the war.

At age 97, Carl still shares a law practice in San Anselmo, CA with his daughter.

Sherman alumnae share memories



SHERMAN GIRLS DO YOGA Renee Schneider Judd and Nancy Kidwell Jungerman do yoga in the yard. ▲

FRIENDS TAKE A PHOTO Renee Schneider, Jane Wedemeyer, pose with a friend. ▼



CAROL BREAKS GROUND AT SHERMAN Carol Davis Norberg attended Sherman's ground-breaking ceremony in 2012 to initiate its retrofit. ▲

FRIENDS WALK THROUGH SATHER GATE Renee and her housemates Jan and Mary Lee walk to class in May 1943 ▶

SHERMANITES POSE FOR A PHOTO Renee Honor Mitchell and Jane Wedemeyer are pictured in the center of the bottom row. Carol also guesses that the first girl in the second row is Joan Demele. ▼



In Memoriam

Marilyn C. Steinau (1927-2012). Marilyn lived in Stebbins Hall from 1944-49 and was a generous supporter of the Berkeley Student Cooperative. She passed away peacefully on January 19, 2012, surrounded by family and friends. Marilyn worked with the Landmark Society and many other community organizations. She was a member of the League of Women Voters and served on the Marin County Civil Grand Jury. She was elected to the Reed School District Board of Trustees. In 1973, she was elected to the Marin County Board of Education where she served for 28 years. She took special interest in the Marin County Office of Education Outdoor Education School at Walker Creek Ranch where the "Stein角度 Science Museum" is named in her honor.

Doris Cuneo Maslach

By Dan Eisenstein
Doris lived in Stebbins Hall in 1937 and was a founding member of the board of the Alumni Association for the Berkeley Student Cooperative. She was an active member of the Board and its Scholarship Committee until infirmity confined her to her home. She passed away in May 2013 at age 91. A powerful and engaging woman, Doris was one of the first of her gender to earn a degree in mathematics at UC, led the first successful effort to elect an African-American to the Berkeley School Board, repeated this effort in electing the first African-American to the Berkeley City Council, worked to achieve a settlement to the dispute between Berkeley and UC over the disposition of the School for the Blind and Deaf (a building on the Clark Kerr Campus is



DORIS CUNEO MASLACH GIVES BACK TO THE BSC

The Berkeley Student Cooperative is proud to announce that it is receiving a gift from Doris's estate. Doris is pictured above at the 2005 Annual Alumni Meeting. ▲

named for her and her husband, George). She was active in the Panoramic Hill Homeowners Association and in the early development of Sea Ranch. Doris was a child of a poor

family from San Francisco who had big dreams, and always reminded us that she wouldn't have been able to fulfill them without the

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I want to support the BSC's mission to provide affordable housing by donating to:

- Seismic Retrofit Fund
- Where It Is Needed Most
- Scholarship Fund

Yes, I will join the Alumni Association or renew my membership today!

- \$500 lifetime membership
- \$50 annual membership (add \$10 for spouse)
- \$250 lifetime recent grad membership
- \$20 annual recent grad membership (add \$5 for spouse)

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Your Phone _____ Your E-mail _____

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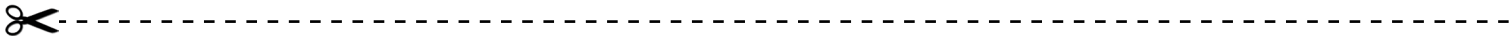
Pay membership dues at www.bscaa.org/membership or donate at www.bsc.coop/donate.

My check, payable to the BSC, is enclosed Please charge my Visa/Mastercard in the amount of \$ _____

Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

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(Continued from Page 13) Berkeley Student Cooperative. Doris married George Maslach during World War II while George worked on the Manhattan Project and came back to Berkeley after the war so George could take up a position with the Department of Mechanical Engineering. He eventually became Dean of the College of Engineering and then Vice Chancellor. Doris raised three children -- Christina, professor of Psychology at Berkeley; Steven and James who craft art glass.

I met her on the Alumni Association Board and we became friends at once. She was always warm, thought-

ful, able to listen but not reticent to offer her own ideas. When George became too old to go out at night, Doris and I became an "entertainment couple," enjoying music and dance a dozen times per year. Doris would tell me tales of her youth, of her family's origins in Italy, of her father and uncles, of the political struggle in Berkeley, of the grandchildren she loved so much.

She looked at her life and accomplishments with a critical eye and always wanted to do more. Now her ambition is quelled and no more challenges present themselves. All who knew her will miss her forever.

Jeane Jewell Doncaster (1922-2013), who lived in Stebbins Hall from 1939-40, passed away on April 23. She was daughter, sister, wife of Rodney, mother of four, good neighbor and friend to many, died in her home as she had hoped to do. She was 90. A registered nurse, Jeane cared for people in hospitals, in their homes, as a school nurse, and, after her "retirement," as a hospice volunteer. She also gave of her time generously through Sutter Creek United Methodist Church, the Interfaith Food Bank, as a regular Election Day volunteer, home tour worker and any place else she was needed. She would do

anything for anyone at any time. She came from Love, she lived Love, she has returned to Love.

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Gilbert St. John (1925-2013) passed away peacefully on January 21, 2013, after a challenging struggle against Alzheimer's. Gilbert lived at Oxford Hall, and one of his roommates was Harper Puziss. In 1948 Harper arranged for a blind date for Gilbert and his wife who would have celebrated 63 years of marriage this year. A memorial gathering was held in Palo Alto where Gilbert lived and worked for many years. He is interred at Alta Mesa Cemetery in Palo Alto.

ELECTION FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

You must be a member to vote (check status on address label). This ballot must be received at Central Office, 2424 Ridge Road, Berkeley, CA 94709 by 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 20, 2013, in order to be counted. You may vote for as many candidates as you choose. The following have agreed to stand for election to the Board of Directors for a three-year term.

*Returning Board member

CANDIDATE	BACKGROUND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
RUSS BUTTON	(Oxford Hall 1972-75) • After graduating with a degree in IEOR, he did a 4 year tour as a US Air Force officer. Upon returning to the Bay Area, he worked for many different organizations, ranging from banking to industrial engineering. Over the last 24 years he has worked at numerous organizations as a Linux systems administrator. Russ helped organize the program at the Oxford Hall Reunion in 2012, and has volunteered as a dynamic presenter at career workshops for students organized by the BSC Alumni Association. •	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DAVID PON	(Casa Zimbabwe 2009, Stebbins Hall 2010-12) • David proudly served as a House President, Social Manager, beer brewer, dinner cook, and pot washer during his two years at Stebbins Hall. He graduated in May of 2012 with a degree in Environmental Science from UC Berkeley. He currently works for the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy engaging urban teens with outdoor recreation and habitat restoration in the San Francisco Bay Area. In his spare time, he likes to organize social events with his fellow Co-op alumni. •	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ANALISE SMITH HINKLEY*	(Cloyne 2008, Oscar Wilde 2009-10) • Analise was first invited to join the BSC Alumni Association Board after working with alumni on the 2010 BSC Graduation as the BSC Special Events Coordinator. She now works full time as the Selections & Communications Manager of CAA Alumni Scholarships at UC Berkeley, but still makes time to throw graduation celebrations for BSC seniors, and never fails to bring wine to BSC Alumni Association calling campaigns. •	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
EDWARD THELEN*	(Barrington 1981, Cloyne 1982-84, Rochdale 1984-85) • Edward served as Maintenance Manager at Barrington and Cloyne, and on the Board of Directors as the Rochdale representative. He now works as an aerospace engineer. Edward is a dedicated BSC Alumni Association member, serving as Pioneer Award Committee Chair, Secretary of the Board of Directors, and setting up and tearing down at numerous alumni events. He is looking forward to seeing friends at the 80th Anniversary Gala. •	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ART WALENTA*	(Barrington Hall 1953-54, Cloyne 1955-57) • Art served as President of Barrington, member of the Co-op Board of Directors in 1957, and president of the men's resident hall association in 1957. Art then received his JD from Harvard Law School in 1960. After returning to the Bay Area, he worked as a member of the campaign committee fundraising for the construction of what is now Casa Zimbabwe. Art joined the Board of Directors of the BSC Alumni Association in 1998, and has been a member ever since. •	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Floor nomination) _____

(Write-in nomination) _____

VOTING BY PROXY

I give my proxy to _____ (a person who will be present at the Annual Meeting), or to Madeleine Loh (please check here _____), to vote on the ballot as he/she chooses and on any issues presented at the Annual Meeting.



ARE YOU 70 1/2 OR OLDER? DONATE IRA FUNDS TO THE BERKELEY STUDENT COOPERATIVE

- Satisfy IRA distribution requirements
- Support the Berkeley Student Cooperative
- Receive a tax break!

As part of the "fiscal cliff" tax compromise legislation passed on January 1, 2013, Congress reinstated taxpayers' ability to take required annual distributions from their IRAs and contribute those withdrawals directly to charitable organizations, treating them as tax-free distributions.

This provision, called the qualified charitable distribution (QCD) rule, technically expired on December 31, 2011. The American Taxpayer Relief Act extends the QCD for all of the 2013 tax year. **It is unknown whether QCDs will remain an option beyond the end of 2013.**

HOW TO DO IT:

- ▶ Have your 2013 required minimum distribution made payable to the Berkeley Student Cooperative, an IRS qualified charity.
- ▶ Then designate it as a qualified charitable distribution on your tax return. The qualified distribution will not be treated as taxable income by the IRS.



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Stebbins Reunion

Sunday, October 20, 2013

11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Stebbins Hall

Tickets available at bscaa.org/events

\$5 BSCAA members

\$10 nonmembers

\$15 at the door



80th Anniversary Gala

Saturday, October 19, 2013

6:30 PM to 9:30 PM

Hs Lordships, Berkeley CA

Tickets available at bscaa.org/events

Annual Membership Meeting and Picnic

Sunday, October 20, 2013

2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Codornices Park, Berkeley CA

Free, bring a picnic lunch!

Meet Board members and get updates about the BSC from our Executive Director!

+ BSC Exhibition at the Bancroft

The Bancroft Library is open on Sundays from 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM, stop by before or after the picnic!

The exhibit is open during library hours through March 2014, it is free to the public
More informatoin at bscaa.org/events