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## Cooperatively Yours



MONG THE architectural beauties of Southside, behind International House, lies a pathway of brick steps lined with lush foliage that leads to the Julia Morgan house now known as Davis House.

Julia Morgan originally designed Davis House in 1913 as the Richard Clark house, for the son of William Randolph Hearst's attorney. During the 1920s, the house became the Alpha Xi Delta sorority until it closed in the 1960s.

In 1969, the Berkeley Student Cooperative purchased the establishment for \$75,000 and opened Davis House in January 1970. Davis House started as a coop for only juniors, seniors, and graduate students. Unique among

the room and board houses at that time, Davis House did not rely on prepared food from Central Kitchen. "When we moved in as the first group students, we were required to help clean up. The house had been vacant for over a year. We felt privileged to live in a Julia Morgan, and took great pride in making the house clean and beautiful," says Carleton MacDonald, who later became President of the BSC.

After 35 years, Davis House is gearing up for a big reunion in Fall 2015. Due to its small size and relatively new status as a co-op, the Davis House alumni base is smaller than the alumni base of houses like Oxford Hall or Cloyne Court. The alumni contact list is further limited because records of house lists prior to

Executive Director Kim Benson Pays Respects to Founding Members



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Kim Benson and Madeleine
Loh enjoyed tea and
conversation about family history
with founding member Edward G.
McGrath at his home in Carmichael,
CA. Ed is a tenth generation
descendant of the Spanish Valencia
family which settled in Mexico and
California.

Ed graduated in 1940 from UC (CONTINUED on page 5)









Melissa Mersy Tu and Allen Tu met at Davis House.



Students and alumni on the Davis Hor House residents greeted alumni with

1990 were destroyed. However, the BSC is slowly reconstructing house lists and alumni contacts with the help of volunteers.

Despite the limited alumni data, Davis House alumni involvement with the BSC remains strong. George Soohoo, one of the first residents of Davis House organized a reunion on February 21, 2015. Twelve of the first residents of Davis House visited their old home, where they were warmly received by current residents and managers with scones, iced tea, and smiles. The alumni were grateful for the hospitality and enjoyed reliving old memories with the students. "It was very generous of the students to spend time with us," says David Fariello. The visit to Davis House was followed by a potluck lunch at the home of Harriett Ann Goldman.

The success of the reunion was due in large part to George's independent efforts to track down and connect with his old housemates. "I felt a need to reconnect with old friends that I hadn't seen in such a

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long while. I just wanted to know how they were doing and have fun with them. I would advise people to keep their connections when they leave school.

In the meantime, official reunion planning is beginning among a circle of alumni including George Soohoo, Joy (Brooks Molina) Castillo, Ivy Mova, Mario Wilson, Robert Cheng, Lucia Haet, Maha Haji and others. BSC Development Director Madeleine Loh is only too happy to encourage reunion planning as she lived in Davis House from 1993-96. Madeleine attended a house council meeting, where twenty students unanimously decided to host the event, and she is also recruiting graduating seniors Raphael Bernabe, Workshift Manager, and Nick Herson, House President, to the reunion committee. Madeleine will continue to coordinate with the Davis House managers and residents as preparations begin in earnest.





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Respectfully submitted,

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# Meet the BSC Staff

(RIGHT) Mandy balances the house checking account with Sherman Hall house manager Elise Levin-Guracar (BELOW) Mandy with her husband at CZ.





VERY SEMESTER IS A huge change for the Berkeley Student Cooperative: students move out, house manager teams change and house culture transforms. Each house has a new set of students who choose to spend money on different food, furniture, and other amenities than the semester before. Therefore, every semester presents a new mass of bills and finances that BSC Accounts Payable Bookkeeper Mandy (Combest) Shapiro balances.

Accounts the Pavable Bookkeeper, Mandy pays house and central level bills on time, tracks and reports house finances, and handles reimbursements.

Mandy is also an alumna of Casa Zimbabwe. She moved into CZ as a student in Berkeley City College in 2002 after another resident moved out and she got in from the waitlist. She accepted the offer, sight unseen. She grew up in a small town in Ohio, had no experience with group living and had never heard of a coop before she moved in. Despite her limited knowledge of cooperative living, Mandy said that, after some initial apprehension, she "fell in love" with CZ.

"Living cooperatively is cheaper,

better for the planet and really awesome for meeting people and making friends. I also really think it was really great for learning how to take care of myself," Mandy said.

Mandy also met her husband Austin Shapirio, a math teacher, at

She resided in CZ until 2004 when she transferred from Berkeley City College to UC Davis, where she lived in their cooperative living community called The Domes. Mandy then moved to live in the Inter-Cooperative Council in Ann Arbor, MI: there, she started a temporary 10-hour-a-week position as an accounting filer. Her job later broadened to include more accounting responsibilities eventually led her back to Berkeley.

"I never would have thought to pursue accounting as a career choice, so I'm grateful to the co-ops for hiring people with no experience," Mandy said.

In 2011, Mandy began her position as the Accounts Payable Bookkeeper for the BSC. During her time here, Mandy has improved the "decentralization reports" to a simpler design. The decentralization reports are sent out bi-weekly to

all managers and contain both a summary and detailed report of house expenses and account information. The managers use these reports to provide financial transparency to their communities. Mandy says that there is still room for improvement, including incorporation manager training and facilitation of manager transitions.

Mandy says another major part of her job is educating house and finance managers. Most students who come into house and finance manager positions were high school students only a few years ago and have little to no experience managing finances for a small community. Mandy trains these students in all aspects of financial oversight: she teaches them how to understand decentralization reports, how to determine house account balances, explains the reimbursement process, and clarifies how the different house budgets function.

"Educating students is part of any job at the BSC," Mandy said. really love working with students. It's cool to know that I'm helping a movement that really did make it possible for me to go to college."

# BSC Celebrates 100th Birthday of Founding Member



GROUP PHOTO (left to right, from top): Gideon Anders, Bill Blythe, Gretchen Taylor Lira, Omar Shakill, Richard T. Lira, Kim Benson, Spencer Hitchcock, Bonnie Blythe, Robert Warren Jones, Li Chu, Theresa Yuen, Arthur Walenta, Madeleine Loh, Bishop Richard Millard, Haven Thompson, Pasteur S. T. Yuen





(ABOVE) Kim Benson shakes Bishop Millard's hand at his birthday party.

Happy Birthday, Dick! Thank you so much for helping found the co-up and for sharing your stories and experiences. It's so wonderful to see the impact cooperation living had on your life and that it is continuing to Carich new generations' lives everyday Be well, kim

(CONTINUED from front Berkeley with bachelor's and master's degrees in history. He later had a distinguished teaching and research career at Syracuse University, Oregon State, and Sacramento State. Ed believed he is the oldest surviving Co-oper until he was pleasantly surprised to learn that his old housemate at Barrington Hall, Richard Millard, is still around and, at age 100, older by three years!

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Group at Tea



House Mother

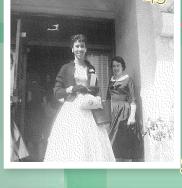








Dolores Powell, Linda Bush, Joan Colman



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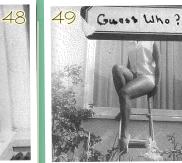


& Carol Bell



Group with Flour Mather













Can you identify the people in any of these photos?

#### *ALUMNI NOTES*

Dolores Warren Powell (Hoyt 1956-1958).

My workshifts were dusting and cleaning the living room, dish duty, and occasional work in the kitchen. My room was on the second level, facing the street. Our curfew was 7:30 p.m., unless we went to the library-in which case curfew was 10:00. I had a roommate named Carol who liked to go out at night. We had an arrangement where I would go into the kitchen at night to make coffee, and she'd knock on the kitchen window for me to let her in through the back door. I wish I could remember our house mother's name! She was a sweet lady, but our social interactions were limited to dinner time.

We were required by the campus administration to wear skirts and dresses and could only wear pants on campus on Saturday. Hoyt was subjected to the great "Pantie Raid" of May 1956. The front doors of Hoyt Hall and Kappa Kappa Gamma were removed, but there was no inside damage at Hoyt. Of course, the newspapers told a different story.

studied social science and English. My education in East Los Angeles schools prepared me well for college. I attended Garfield High School, the school that was later made famous in the movie Stand and Deliver. Unfortunately, many of my classmates from small farm towns were not as well-prepared and did not have the necessary studying skills, and many of them dropped out of UC Berkeley. After graduating, I had a long career in the Los Angeles Unified School District: first as a teacher, then as a school psychologist. I haven't been back to Hoyt since I graduated, but I'd like to visit.

Liust attended NASCO Institute in Ann Arbor and ran into my Rochdale roommate (Joanna Marrufo, currently at Fenwick)! I started a MSc program in Fisheries and Wildlife at Michigan State University in East Lansing and am

a part of the student housing cooperative here. Even though I

won't be able to attend Bay Area events in the near future, the values of the BSC have stayed close to me and will continue to as I navigate this new city. I'll be modeling after your tactfully worded emails as Syd Burke and I attempt to establish our alumni network in Michigan as well. Hope all is well, and have a wonderful weekend!

Cooperatively yours,

Janet Hsiao (Sherman Hall 2011-2012, Rochdale Village 2012-2013).



My dad lived at Cloyne as a My husband student in the 50s. and I met at Stebbins....

Thank you!

Karen Suzukamo (Hoyt for two quarters, Stebbins for rest of freshman year, then sophmore and junior years, and finally Rochdale for senior year.)

I'm the husband. I transferred up to Berkeley in the fall of '78 as a junior from the housing co-op at UCLA and moved into Stebbins, where Karen was the house manager that year. She was literally the first person I met in Berkeley when I checked in. We did not like one another—a great start, yes? At least we didn't for a couple quarters.

We moved to Rochdale in the fall of '79 into separate apartments and graduated in the spring of '80.

Sincerely, Leslie Suzukamo

Dear Madeleine,

Several years ago you encouraged me to write something as an alumnus, but I didn't get around to do it until now. In 1946, I graduated from Analy Union High School in Sebastopol and came down to Cal that fall. I moved into Cloyne Court in Apt. 2 and lived there until graduation in June of 1950. Your recent newsletter about "Cloyne Court Reimagined" greatly warmed my heart. I've visited Clovne on two or three of my visits

to my son who lives in Berkeley, and my impression was not good. It seemed so rundown, and the yard in the courtyard was a disgrace. For the four years I lived there, my five hours per week were spent as a gardener. There was a magnificent rose garden south of the jutted out living room and many other trees and shrubs and plantings. It is thrilling to see the restoration of this great building. Congratulations!

Some of the Apt. 2 guys were Peter Mihalovici and his cousin Jack Mihalovici, Ute Runewalder, and Edward Isazay Paola and other names I've forgotten-oh, yes Bernard Silverman.

After two years, Peter Mihalovici and I moved to the second floor 50 Apt. with a deck all around that was over the living room-great apartment. Erinco Rossi shared it with us and later Bob Dannielson as landscape architect. Both Peter and Jack have died. Enrico practiced Dentistry in Hayward for years. The only one I am still in close touch with is Nardy Silverman, an engineer, who invented the computerized cash register. He and his wife Janice live in Missoula, Montana near their son Paul, who is a professor at the University of Montana.

After graduating in English in 1950, I went to "Holy Hill" to Pacific School of Religion to prepare for ministry. I graduated in 1953 with a B.D. and was ordained that May into The Congregational Church, where I served parishes until my retirement in 1997. My last parish was First Congregational Church UCC in Boulder, where I still live; I served that church for 27 years.

In 1957, I married Jeanette Desin, who was born in San Francisco and schooled in Berkeley. She taught school in Albany while I was in Seminary. We produced four children: three boys and then a girl.

I have five grandchildren and one great grandson, Bryce, who was born in March. I now live in a retirement complex in Boulder.

Now that I've told you far more than you needed to know, thanks again for the "good news" about Clovne Court.

Bruce Mackenzie

### DIVERSITY & INCLUSION TASK FORCE

Alumnus Jon Lampman (Barrington Hall 1967-1968 & Cloyne Court 1968-1969) discusses role as alumni advisor.

#### This alumnus is a "good fit" with students.





(LEFT) Jon Lampman (left) with friend Omar Shakill (Davis House, 1994-95; Northside 1995-96) in Hawaii. (RIGHT) Ed Stinson and the Diversity and Inclusion Task Force present recommendations to the BSC Board of Directors.

BOARD HE Directors consists of representatives elected by their peers. In recent years, the Board has formed task forces to focus on mission critical issues. One of these task forces is the Diversity and Inclusion Committee, which addresses the discovery from the 2012 census survey that a startlingly low proportion of our room and board members come from the populations the BSC was formed to serve: those for whom an educational opportunity is a financial struggle.

The BSC Executive Director Kim Benson asked me to serve as an alumni advisor to this task force. Ed Stinson, the student task force leader met me for lunch and both of us agreed that serving on the task force would be a good fit. At the first meeting Ed Stinson reiterated the BSC mission statement and everyone agreed that a major premise is that the BSC is failing to meet its mission to provide an educational

opportunity to low income students.

We just completed the first phase of work, which included the following:

- Examining other organizations that have a higher success rate of serving low-income students.
- Identifying student groups which are largely coextensive with low-income students.
- Conducting outreach to the UC Berkeley Division of Equity & Inclusion (which includes the Educational Opportunity Program and the Disabled Students Program)
- Conducting a census survey of BSC membership

Members of the task force assisted the BSC in the 2014 census by visiting individual houses and meeting with house managers and residents. The task force also met with the U.C. Division of Equity and Inclusion to learn how the BSC can recruit Education Opportunity Program (EOP) eligible students.

Phase two (spring semester) includes a detailed examination of BSC policies and priorities to determine who is admitted to one of the coops. The final phase will include specific recommendations to the BSC Board.

I was flattered that the students considered me a regular member, gave me specific research projects and found some of my comments and questions challenging. I was very impressed with the motivation, expertise and commitment to task completion shown by students on the task force.

# 2012 vs. 2014 Results of the Latest BSC Census Show Progress

N 2012, THE BSC CONDUCTED ITS FIRST comprehensive demographic survey with the help of demographics doctoral student Catherine Barry (Convent). In 2014, Catherine ran the second survey as an alumna-volunteer. The BSC will continue to track its performance in meeting its mission and hopes to see continuing improvements in years to come.

Our mission is to provide a quality, low-cost, cooperative housing community to university students, thereby providing an educational opportunity for students who might not otherwise be able to afford a university education.



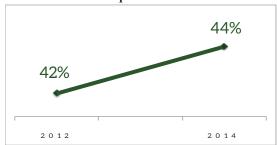
Catherine's significant contributions were celebrated at a happy hour for BSC alumni in Redwood City in February 2015. We presented her with a certificate which reads:

Thank you CATHERINE N. BARRY, Ph.D., Demography and Sociology and alumna of the Berkeley Student Cooperative, for volunteer work conducting the 2014 BSC Census, a project critical to meeting our mission.

- Kim Benson, BSC Executive Director.

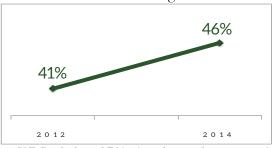
Catherine holds a Ph.D. in Demography and Sociology, and works at The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### Pell Grant Recipients



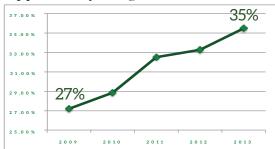
Federal Pell Grants are given to lowest-income students. At UC Berkeley, 36% of undergraduates are Pell Grant recipients.

#### First-Generation College Students



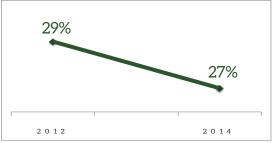
At UC Berkeley, 27% of undergraduates are firstgeneration college students.

#### Registered with UC Berkeley Educational Opportunity Program



The UC Berkeley Educational Opportunity Program provides resources to first-generation and low-income students.

#### Upper Middle Class & Wealthy



At UC Berkeley, upper middle class and wealthy students are 31% of the undergraduate population.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Thanks to the generosity of our alumni, the BSC enjoys a scholarship fund totaling over \$1.2 million. We are especially grateful for the recent gift of \$228,000 from the estate of William J. and Florrie M. Milligan (Stebbins Hall). Our scholarships help the BSC meet its mission to provide affordable housing to students who need it. In Fall 2014, we distributed over \$65,000 to 37 students.

Dear Mr. McGrath,

Thank you so much for contributing to the BSC. I've been awarded a scholarship to live in the BSC, which will make my spring financial situation significantly less stressful. I come from a long line of co-opers, starting with my mother and father who both lived in Barrington Hall during the 80s. My aunt lived in Cloyne at the same time and, 25 years later, my brother lived in Casa Zimbabwe. And now, I live in Oscar Wilde house. I have lived here since Spring 2014 and since then I have met the most incredible people who I am proud to call my best friends. On my first day here, the house was filthy after a month of winter break and a bad fall semester. Consequently, when someone tried to cook something, a grease fire started. Another housemate sprayed a powder extinguisher on it and there was chemical dust all over the stove. The person who started the fire fled the scene, so this guy (also a newbie) and I spent two hours cleaning the stove. That guy instantly became my best friend and ever since we, along with our other friends, have continued to enrich the cooperative spirit and take care of our space together. Cooperativity is beautiful and there is little I enjoy doing and feel more accomplished doing than caring for the space

Currently, I attend Berkeley City College; so it is especially wonder ful to have "the college experience" while attending CC. In my time here, I served as Health Worker over the summer and I am currently the Alumni Coordinator for the BSC. I am extremely grateful for my position because I am learning vaulable office skills and establishing important relationships with BSC staff. I am beyond thankful to become an adult in a space that strives to teach and allows me to learn. Despite my aforementioned love for Wilde, I will be moving to Lothlorien in the Spring and I can't wait to build relationships and cooperate in a new space.

Thank you so much, Kashmir Kravitz

Deav Mr. Madison,

Currently a fourth year student studying Ait History at UK Benkeley. I wanted to express My Manks to you for your alumni donation and making it possible to me to receive a scholarship with the BSC I come from a loving home in Cos Angeles, both as my foor in money. I've found the same love filled subjoins. You've donation has viot just helped the BSC, Doublas also helped me in making it possible for me to live in such a unique and incredible place. I moved into my co-op almost a year ago and can proodly say that it has charged me in so many ways To the beter and has allowed me to grow in ways I rener magnetive mede some of the best friends and stronges of the BSC, and for that I will always be gratefully.

Dear Mr. Walenta,

Thank You For supporting the BSC community through your Kind donations. Due to your wonderful donation, I do not have to worry about paying spring sontster rent. I am a first rollege generation student, who is low incore. The thic offers me the opportunity to have bouring in the thelig which can have a high cost of living for me though is limited to me and I handerstand the blong is limited to use and I handerstand the valve or a dollar due to coming from a family of eight and I know that I am not the only of eight and I know that I am not the only of eight and I know that I am not the only of eight and in the present was to support francially. Child hay presents have to support francially. I had in this year my sister started bet first noddition, this year my sister started bet first year in college, which made whose that I year in college, which made whose that I year in college, which made whose started but first in order to pay trent and other neads. Overall, is in order to pay trent and other neads. Overall, is in order to pay trent and other neads. Overall, is in order to pay trent and other neads. Overall, is in order to pay trent and other neads. Overall, is in order to pay trent and other neads. Overall, is in order to pay trent and other neads. Overall, is in order to pay the not the late of the control of the late of

Dear Mr. Wolfman,

toward my research and my coursework. You also inspire me to not forget about corring to express my gratitude for your generosity for the scholarship award. I am and my time here has been challenging to the to belance major at Berkeny and my time here has been challenging the struggles to balance financial struggles pursuing their drains.

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Those to one day use the skills I learned here to give back and improve access to STEM education from for low-Income students.

I currently do research at the School of Information implementing Information Communication Technologies (ICTS) for doveloping recipies developing regions as a way to make a contribution with the education I have received at Berkeley, without BSC alumnis

Thank you very much for supporting the BSC.

I am a re-entry student living at Hillogass-Parkler House (HIP). I am a part-time workler and a full-time obtains at UC. Berkley, and hove been living in the coops for a year and a half now. the copys for a year and involvent and college student, HTP house has not only allowed me the financial resources to confuse my ordergleadoate educator, but has also provided a export we and inspiring environment among according students and other se-oney excents. My house has been a great motivation for me, and has influenced my

the BSC Your generous contribution will

aid me greatly. I am a first generation and me greath. I am a trist generation college student studying Integrative Biology of UR Berkeley. Your generosity means that next semester I can commit more hours to my personal research interests inther than my work study job. Next semester will be my lost at Cal, so I'm incredibly grateful to you for helping me pulsue my passions. I hape to either propose an evolutionary biology project or find a position as a behavioral ecologist research assistant. Your help has relieved me of a great stressor and 600 now I am certain to live my final semester to the fullest.

Thank you so much for your support of

have been able to accomplish as much

as I have. This allows me more time

others who may be struggling. I hope to one day give back in the same

who continue to give back like you,

Dear Mr. Larson,

I worry less about housing expenses and devote that time to trying to change the

world through my studies and research Thank you again! I hope you know

others working w hard and

With deep gratitude and warm regards,

decision to attend gr school next year.

Please know I greatly your exprost and look to doing the same find the time.

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Our first reception for scholarship recipients in December 2014, held at the Faculty Club, was such a success that we already booked the same room for next year.

December 10, 2015

SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION

# Thank you!

The Berkeley Student Cooperative and the BSC Alumni Association thank the following donors for their financial support in 2014. The BSC uses donations and membership dues for seismic renovations, IT upgrades, scholarships, and programs that engage our alumni in strengthening and supporting the BSC. We extend a special thank you to the lifetime members of the BSC Alumni Association.

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# From the Archives!



I lived in Cloyne Court during the summer of 1968. I believe I am in a photo that was posted in the Spring 2014 and Fall 2014 newsletters—the photo labeled #34. I am in the top right corner of the photo, sitting on a couch, hands folded. This would only be the case, if the photo was taken in 1968. (This is fun!)

- MYRNA COZEN



The meeting is a presentation of the Ridge House social committee (Freshman Craig Johnston on left and Junior Dennis Mires, chair on right) at either the annual House Meeting or at a Council Meeting for the proposed social schedule for Spring 1965.

On the bottom row, we see the back of the heads of house council members Bruce Kemmel, grad student and boarder Price Stiffler, and Wade Hudson. The second entry for March is for Rock n Roll Beer Bust. I cannot make out the rest of the list.

- RICHARD LIRA



Picture # 33 in the Spring 2014 Newsletter identified one of the people as Greg "Yogi" Plant. That sure brings back memories, for Greg was then a friend of mine. We nicknamed him "Yogi" because he resembled Yogi Berra—he in fact preferred that nickname to the one he had before, which was Egg Plant, a take-off on his name. But this note is more than my nostalgia: it is to update the information. The caption says he was there "probably earlier too," which he certainly was. I was at Cloyne Court 1961-1965 and that is when and where I knew him. (BTW: based on what I read in the Newsletters, Cloyne Court, which I left in 1965, is very, very different now.)

- ERIC HYMAN



In the Fall issue of Cooperatively Yours, photo #36 on page 5 might just be of yours truly. When I saw it, I immediately thought, 'Hey, that's me!' The hair's right (for that time anyway), the facial shape, the glasses, the arms, the watch, even the slim figure. I don't remember that shirt, and have zero memory of that event or that photo. But I lived at Cloyne from Fall 1970 until—I don't remember. A year, at least, before getting an apartment.—DAVID J. MILLER

### AL BENDICH

In Memoriam

#### by Victor Garlin

BSC Alumni Association Board member, Oxford Hall (1952-1957)

The New York Times front page of January 14, 2015 contains an obituary for my longtime friend and BSC alumnus Albert Bendich, celebrated constitutional attorney and scholar and entertainment producer, who has died at 85. Al lived at Barrington Hall in 1949 after transferring to UC Berkeley from community college. He was generous supporter of the BSC and its mission of housing low-income students.

After graduating from Boalt School of Law in 1955,

Al became staff attorney at the Northern California American Civil Liberties Union, alongside Lawrence Speiser, who at that time was also the the Alumni Representative on the BSC Board of Directors.

In 1957, the San Francisco police arrested City Lights publisher Lawrence Ferlinghetti on obscenity charges for publishing the now iconic Allen Ginsberg's "Howl," a poem of social criticism that was sprinkled with four-letter words. Al's legal memorandum to trial

judge Clayton Horn, a volunteer Sunday School teacher, was decisive. Judge Horn found that Howl's "redeeming social importance" merited protection under the First Amendment and acquitted Ferlinghetti. Authors like D.H. Lawrence, Henry Miller, Anias Nin, some of whose works could only be had in the United States in smuggled European editions, were now freely published by Grove Press and other American publishers.

In 1962, the San Francisco police arrested comedian Lenny Bruce for using during a performance the ten-letter vernacular for a person engaged in fellatio. When the arresting officer admitted under Al's cross-examination that the offending word was heard often in the police station, which had been defined by the trial judge as a public place, Bruce was quickly acquitted by the jury.

Lenny Bruce later persuaded Saul Zaentz, who had purchased what was then a small record company, Fantasy Records, to hire Al as his lawyer. The rest is entertainment history: the success of the rock group Credence Clearwater Revival, and the production of the films One Flew Over the Cukoo's Nest, Amadeus, and The English Patient.



Pamela and Al Bendich, with Mike Miller, attending the 80th Anniversary Gala of the Berkeley Student Cooperative.

Al was counsel in other significant civil liberties cases. He reinstated tenure and back-pay for a San Francisco City College professor who had been fired for refusing to discuss his political beliefs and associations before a legislative "investigating" committee. He successfully sued Alameda County which had fired a welfare worker for refusing to take part in early morning raids on the homes of welfare recipients (the purpose of which was to search for "unauthorized" residents, as women were

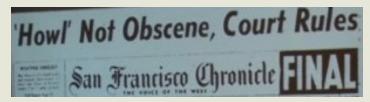
> required to be unpartnered to receive welfare benefits). As a faculty member in the UC Berkeley Speech Department, he supported the Free Speech Movement, and taught a highly political generation the theory and practice of free speech.

> Al was born in the Bronx to working-class, politically-active Russian-Jewish immigrants. His father was a presser in the clothing industry who moved his family to Los Angeles when Al was about to enter community college. At Barrington Hall, he

no doubt found many kindred spirits: Co-opers steeled by depression-era childhoods, wartime military service, or racially discriminatory experiences, including wartime internment of Japanese-Americans.

Fellow BSC alumnus Michael E. Tigar, himself a distinguished constitutional advocate, was a student of Al's. Hearing of Al's death, he wrote in his blog, "no words can convey the full measure of this challenging, engaging, brilliant, compassionate man. My thoughts are with his family today."

I echo these sentiments as do some of Al's contemporaries who shared his days in the Berkeley Student Co-operative: Leon Litwak, James Fairley, and Zoe Borkowski.



Two years out of law school, Al Bendich wrote the court brief that successfully defended the publication of Allen Ginsberg's poem Howl in an obscenity case. Al later defended Lenny Bruce in another obscenity case.

### BSC Legacy Society Member LOIS HANSEN

OIS HANSEN GREW UP IN the outer Mission District and attended Lowell High School in San Francisco before studying science and lab technology at UC Berkeley. After college she became a head medical technician at Alta Bates and later became a bacteriologist. She has named the Berkeley Student Cooperative in her estate plans because she has a great fondness for her time in Stebbins Hall and firmly believes it made a big difference in her life. She provided the following recollections:

I shall always credit my years at Stebbins for making me less of a loner and more of a groupie. As an only child, I never shared a room with anyone else. Having a roommate was a complete change in lifestyle. It worked out very well. I was very fortunate and Esther Ruby and I got along very well. I later had a different kind of experience with another roommate, but that's just part of the cooperative experience. I made bag lunches for my workshift. I noticed that many of the bag lunches were left untouched as the Co-op students preferred to eat elsewhere. I thought that was ridiculously wasteful, so I talked to the Central Kitchen chef about improving the lunches. He gave me full access to the Central Kitchen pantry. My lunches became so popular that instead of working the 5 hours per week slated for bag lunch preparation, I was working 6-10 hours each week!

My mother came with me once to Central Kitchen. The chef understood her very well and immediately put her to work preparing mashed potatoes, which we did directly on a table against the wall. I fondly remember him telling her to "smash-a da potatoes and push-a'dem against the wall." She did as she was ordered. They had similar backgrounds and had a friendly time with each other.

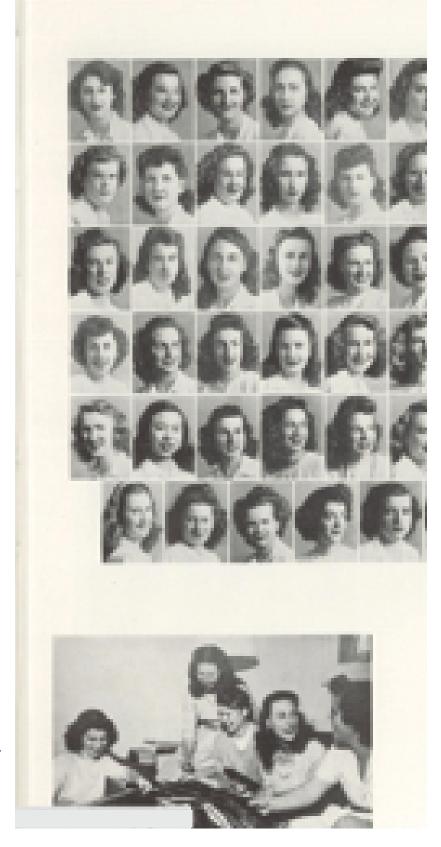
Lois passed away shortly after providing this statement. We are grateful that we had an opportunity to meet her.



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### IN MEMORIAM

DAVID FRADKIN was born on April 20, 1931 and died on July 23, 2014. He lived at Cloyne Court from 1948-1951 and was very active editing the paper. Fradkin was a physics professor at Wayne State University in Detroit, MI for 33 years. His field was theoretical physics and elementary particles. He had many publications in the Journal of Mathematical Physics and Paritical Dynamics. Upon retirement, he moved to Portland Oregon.

He was a true Renaissance possessing a keen interest and knowledge about that everything interested him. He wrote poetry and was deeply interested in music. He travelled widely and was the family historian. David is survived by his wife Dorothea, their three sons, and three grandchildren.

- Lorraine Hauser (David's sister)



alumnus Barrington RICHARD **IOHNSTON** passed away September 6 at the age of 99 after a short illness. Iohnston was born April 22, 1915 in Los Angeles and remained there until graduating from UCLA in 1936. After college, Johnston attended Boalt Law School and lived in Barrington Hall from 1936 to 1939. Richard married his long-time sweetheart Elizabeth Schaal in 1939 and had three children: Roger, Craig, and Deborah. After being sent to Honolulu to work as a lawyer for the Foreign Funds Control Office, Richard joined the Navy until the end of World War II in 1945. He then returned to the Bay Area to practice and teach law, and he supported many Bay Area organizations. Johnston was

generous supporter of the Berkeley Student Cooperative and a member of the Alumni Association for many years.

His son, Craig Johnston, lived in Ridge House from 1965 to 1968 and briefly in Kidd Hall.



RENEE **SCHNEIDER** JUDD passed in August 2014. I have known Renee since I was a volunteer for the BSC, about seven years ago. When I decided to work for the BSC, Renee was very supportive. She would check in periodically and ask me how things were going ("Are you being a good girl?"). I last saw her about three months before she passed. Although she had been transferred to assisted living, she was still spunky.

I will miss Renee.

- Madeleine Loh



Please accept the enclosed check in memory of my late husband, MING SANG DAVID NG, who passed away peacefully on April 27, 2013. He went to our back room at home around 5 a.m., returned to bed, fainted, and never regained consciousness. He was 88 years old. Our doctor told us my husband would live to 92. Life is so unpredictable! During our 52 years of marriage, my husband told me his fond memories of his co-op days at Berkeley. He took me to visit there twice. His brothers and three nephews also graduated from UC Berkeley. I'm sorry for being unable to send my donation sooner since I'm still mourning the sudden passing of my husband.

Best regards, Josephine

### Cloyne Alumni Celebrate VALENTINE'S DAY







RIGHT: Rick Kent, Rick Spector, and Bob Reyes. Rick Kent provided these photos. BOTTOM: c. 1968. Bob Reyes was taking care of his friends even as a student. He cooked Mexican food on the weekends and the guys enjoyed late night feasts in the kitchen.

n February 14, 2015, Bob Reyes and his partner Jeff hosted their fifth annual party for Cloyne friends in Oakland. Bob lived in Cloyne from 1966-70, and has stayed in touch with his housemates ever since. "These are really great people. We were a little rough around the edges when we were students, but all essentially good, decent guys. At the time, I don't think we knew how important we were to one another, but I'm glad that those experiences turned into truly lifelong friendships. I'm really happy to be able to do this every year."

Old Clones traveled from as far away as Alaska and North Carolina. In the tradition of Bob's reunions, Bob and Jeff cooked Mexican food and mixed margaritas for the guests. One of the highlights of the evening was when Rick Kent showed off his photo albums of life in Cloyne and Stebbins Hall, where he was among the first group of men to move into in 1971.

This year, Bob's guests included the BSC Development Director Madeleine Loh and Executive Director Kim Benson, who happily answered questions about the transformation of Cloyne into the substance-free Academic Theme House. "I was honored to be included, and I'm pleased to see that the Co-op experience was deeply meaningful to so many alumni," says Kim. "We will continue to encourage and support these kinds of gatherings in whatever way we can. Thank you Bob!"



#### A NEW, VIBRANT COOPERATIVE COMMUNITY IS BORN!

Dear UC Berkeley Friends of the BSC,



Clovne members prepare the basement for a new hackerspace.

In March 2014, the student-run Board of Directors of the BSC voted to transform Cloyne Court into our substance-free Academic Theme House. The decision followed over 20 hours of Board debate, numerous committee meetings and informal discussions.

We closed Cloyne in Summer 2014 to prepare for the new theme, and reopened for the Fall 2014 semester. Cloyne has been a huge success beyond all of our expectations. You can feel the energy, joy, and engagement of the students when you walk in.

I invite you to visit us, take a tour of Cloyne and learn more about the BSC.

Cooperatively, Kim Benson, BSC Executive Director



#### RESIDENTS ORGANIZE ACTIVITIES TO FEED INTELLECTUAL CURIOSITY

Inspired by professors, fellow students, and the joy of learning, Cloyne residents are filling the Cloyne calendar with academic-themed activities. Here is a sampling:

#### Día de los Muertos, Oct. 28, 2014

One of the residents presented on the history and political significance of Día de los Muertos. The house discussed indigenous resistance and learned how to make calaveras and altars.

#### Cloyne Hackerspace, ongoing

Students are creating a workshop in the Cloyne Court basement for projects, creativity, and interdisciplinary learning, with an emphasis on STEM subjects. BSC members and Cloyne residents have been meeting every week to discuss next steps and brainstorm project ideas.

#### **Evening with Professors Robert Hass &** Ken Ueno, Oct. 22, 2014

After having dinner with the house, Professor Robert Hass, former US Poet Laureate, read recent works, and Professor Ken

Ueno, a composer who explores "sonic events," performed a vocal composition. They then fielded questions about their artistic processes, the role of universities in supporting artists, and more.

#### Soldering Workshop, Aug. 27, 2014

The house invited hackerspace pioneer Mitch Altman to teach them how to solder preprogrammed electrical kits. The event began at 3 pm, and by 10 pm, solderers had microburns on their fingertips and buzzing electric energy.



Professors Ken Ueno and Robert Hass

#### **CLOYNE COURT FACTS**

The BSC leases Cloyne Court from UC Berkeley. All Cloyne Court residents are UC Berkeley students.

The substance-free policy at Cloyne means that all controlled substances, including alcohol and tobacco, may not be consumed or stored on the property.

The substance-free policy is worth it. I love coming home to a clean, peaceful home. There is still a lot of activity and socializing, but no loud, crazy parties.

> - Bobby Yano, Cloyne Court Academic Theme Manager

#### **RESIDENT STATISTICS**

- Fall 2014: 100 residents
- Spring 2015: 120 residents
- Fall 2015: planned maximum capacity of 140 residents
- 33% UC Berkeley Educational Opportunity Program participants
- 50% Women, 50% Men
- 23% Cloyne residents transferred from other BSC houses. The rest are new BSC members.

#### **ABOUT THE BSC**

- 20 properties
- 1,300 students
- Established in 1933 with 14 students
- 43% of our students are in the UC Berkeley Educational Opportunity Program

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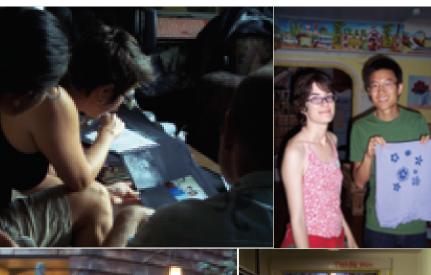
Check out Cloyne's new website at cloyne.org, created by Cloyne residents!

### LOTHLORIEN

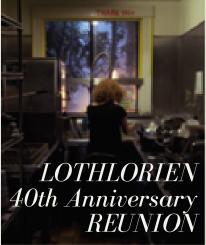
### 40th Anniversary Reunion

OTHLORIEN is celebrating its 40th year! The Berkeley Student Cooperative purchased the property in 1975 from the One World Family Commune. Alfred Twu and other elves have been busily planning a full weekend for old elves and their partners and families. Registration is being handled by the Facebook event "Loth Reunion 2015."

Alternatively, contact BSC Development Director Madeleine Loh at mloh@bsc.coop or (510) 649-8984.











#### LOTHLORIEN REUNION SCHEDULE

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 3

- Help out with pizza starting around 4 p.m.- 7 p.m. Regular Pizza dinner + potluck (bring food, otherwise there
- 7 p.m. "Welcome Workshop" with dinner to go over consent, community agreements, bylaws, etc
- 9 p.m. Song and story night / band night in NHLR (BYOB event)
- Regular quiet hours start at 1 a.m.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 4

- AM garden party / Home Improvement party

- 12 p.m. Brunch + learn about the BSC Alumni Association. If you are arriving Saturday, please bring a potluck item.

- Afternoon hike to old initiation tree/art activities/kombucha
- 7 p.m. "Welcome Workshop" with dinner to go over consent, community agreements
- 9 p.m. Low-key party in North House Living Room
- Regular quiet hours start at 1 a.m.

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 5

- AM garden party / Home Improvement party
- AM yoga
- 12 p.m. Brunch and cleanup party / Intensive Kitchen Clean afterwards
- Event ends around 4 p.m., for those who want to keep partying, there'll be groups going to Freehouse or other bars.

#### Donate to the BSC! The BSC is a 501(c)(3) charitable non-profit organization. All contributions are tax-deductible. Choose your gift \$1000.00 \$100.00 □ \$\_\_\_\_/month Please tell me about planned giving! Choose your area of support Seismic Retrofit Fund At a gathering in Redwood City, we presented TZ Chu (Ridge House) with a cowboy construction hat signed by student leaders to thank him for his significant donation to Scholarship Fund seismic retrofits, our greatest need. Where It Is Needed Most Online options: Donate at www.bsc.coop/donate or Join the Alumni Association! Pay membership dues at www.bscaa.org. The BSCAA is a 501(c)(3) charitable non-profit organization. All contributions are tax-deductible. My check, payable to BSC, is enclosed. ☐ Please charge my Visa/Mastercard. Lifetime Membership Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \$500 Lifetime Membership □ \$600 with spouse Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ \$250 Recent Grad Lifetime Membership Name \$300 with spouse Address **Annual Membership** Phone \$50 Annual Membership □ \$60 with spouse Email \$25 Recent Grad Annual Membership Co-op(s) you lived in and years \_\_\_\_\_

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