



Spring 2007



Some of the 2007 scholarship winners

## “Giving Back” Results: \$18,000 Awarded in Scholarships

Thanks to your contributions to the Scholarship Fund, the amount awarded to our undergraduate brothers has grown each year. A portion of the income from the accumulated capital is allocated each year to scholarships; the remainder of the income helps build the account. The income can only be used for educational purposes.

Since 2000, when the Fund was started, we’ve awarded about \$70,000. Many of the young Brothers must work, and these scholarships help pay for school costs.

For 2007, the undergraduates asked that some of the money not go to them for scholarships, but rather that it be spent to replace badly outdated equipment in the Computer Lab. As a result, the total amount available has been divided into \$15,900 for scholarships, and \$2,100 for computer equipment. The list of our scholarship recipients begins below, and continues on page 2. *The Chapter voted to split each of the first two major scholarships listed, to honor equally two outstanding Brothers, both seniors:*

### **Brent Streich Memorial Scholarship ~ Outstanding Senior (\$1,300)**

*Billy Kerechek '04, \$650      Tyler Katzen '04, \$650*

### **John Quick Memorial Scholarship ~ Outstanding Brother (\$1,300)\***

*Billy Kerechek '04, \$650      Tyler Katzen '04, \$650*

**Billy:** 3.58 GPA; Business Administration major, Accounting and Information Systems minor; 2006 internship at Fluke Manufacturing; two terms as chapter GP; past Rush co-chair; fraternity educator; past VGP; lived in the chapter house all four years as an undergraduate, including summers; Beta Alpha Psi Accounting Fraternity. Biggest accomplishment has been ability to lead, by setting an example and working with others.

**Tyler:** 3.3 GPA; Construction Management major; past freshman class president; historian 2004 and 2005; Rush co-chair; past VGP and GP; attended '06 GAC in New Orleans; lived in the chapter house all four years, including summers; heads after-school tutoring at Loyal Heights Elementary; member of ASIC-Associated Studies in Construction, will compete in Reno in national competition. Greatest accomplishment was as rush co-chairman.

\* The attorney for the John Quick Estate is processing an additional settlement willed to the Chapter. The amount will be added to the Scholarship Fund, with income credited toward this scholarship in 2008.

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**2007  
Chapter  
Retreat**

**American Leadership Academy, Cabo San Lucas, Mexico  
September 9 - 16**

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# Congratulations, 2007 Scholarship Winners! (Cont. from page 1)

## Dale McKnight Scholarship for Most Improved Scholastics\*\*

**Brian Fissel, \$900**

2005 GPA: 2.95 – 2006 GPA: 3.26; Microbiology major; past Alumni Relations chair; Scholarship chairman; attended Fraternity Educators Leadership Academy, Indianapolis

\*\* The Dale McKnight Estate added \$5,000 to the Scholarship Fund; the income from this contribution will increase the scholarship starting in 2008.

## Rudd Lawrence Scholarship for Community Service

**Brett Peterson, \$900**

3.1 GPA; Civil Engineering major; supervised the Adopt-a-Highway Project; Dawg Day incoming freshmen host volunteer; tutoring of grade school children at Loyal Heights Elementary School; organized UW Arboretum cleanup project.

## Del Cyr Scholarship for Needy Freshman

**Christian Garcia, \$900**

3.2 GPA first quarter; Business Administration major; Social Committee; Rush Committee; 102% on pledge test — highest in class.

## Judge John Meyer Scholarship for Pre-Law

**Randy Herzog, \$900**

3.8 GPA; Political Science major; would like to become a trial lawyer after Law School; looking for internship in summer; studying for LSAT. Randy credits Jeff Menday for creating a good example with his devotion to the Chapter.

## Academic Achievement

(\$250 per previous quarter for maintaining 3.30 or above GPA)

Michael Rossi	\$500
William Parascand	\$500
Ken Katzaroff	\$750
Robert Robinson-Hamm	\$250
Joseph Kurz	\$750
James Connelly	\$750
Philip Segal	\$250
Michael Moldovenau	\$750
Jeffrey Garcia	\$250

## Freshman of the Year

**Blake Thomas, \$900**

3.44 GPA first quarter; Economics or Accounting major, minor in Math; 99% in pledge tests.

## Sophomore of the Year

**Jeffrey Menday, \$900**

3.3 GPA; second term as Vice-President; past Greek/IMA chairman; helped in Rush 2006; attended President's Leadership Academy, Indianapolis.

## Junior of the Year

**Brandon Williams, \$900**

3.2 GPA; Law, Societies and Justice major; Rush co-chair 2006; House Manager Committee, and Computer chairman (built chapter Web site).

## From the Chapter President



I'm back! This is my second time as President of the Chapter. I wanted the job again because I didn't accomplish my goals the first time around. It's easy to get bogged down with the day-to-day minutiae while learning the job and lose sight of the big goals. I've got more experience this time around, and know how to manage better and still work toward the main goals, particularly building the membership.

The more we have in the Chapter, the better our fraternity experience will be. As a senior, I'm proud to have lived in the chapter house all four years. I challenge all the Brothers to do the same. We've had tough times, and moving out has crossed my mind, but working through those times has made me a better person, a better leader, and a better Brother. In 2006, we focused on growth, higher academic standards, and quality of the Brotherhood. We had a goal of 20, and got a class of 13. While we didn't make the goal, we gained a group of quality men — a strong and diverse class that can be built upon.

We have three excellent rush chairs this year: **Jeff Menday, Brett Peterson, and Mike Rossi**. They have set a lofty but attainable goal: to recruit 25 men by next fall. They know rush is all-important, and they are looking for support from all the undergrads and alumni of Washington Alpha. *Please, if you have a son, grandson, son of a relative, friend, or neighbor who is at the University now or will start school in the fall, contact one of the rush chairs. Call us — the rush phone line number is 206-729-6826. Or send e-mail to us, and we'll call you: uwphipsi@hotmail.com*

The fall quarter All-Men's GPA was 3.14. Our GPA was 3.17, and 3.2 last spring. We still need to get it back higher again and we're enforc-

ing study and quiet hours; the computer lab and study hall get lots of use. We've increased our commitment to Community Service. In addition to our Adopt-a-Highway section near Northgate, thanks to **Brett Peterson**, we completed 152 hours fall quarter tutoring children at Loyal Heights Elementary School, and landscaping in the Arboretum.

I thank the loyal groups of people who continually support the Chapter: the Parents Group, led by **Kathy & Barry Katzen**; the House Corporation, **Matt Anglin, Stan Kohagen, Geoff Gautier, Jim Boyle, Lee James**, and new HC members **Jay Drye** and **Paul Homer**. Paul graduated only a couple years ago — that's devotion!

And, thanks to the new Chapter Advisor, **Kurt Helgerson**, who gives us much-needed guidance and great ideas to improve the Chapter and how we operate. Thanks also to **Gary Glein, Bob Edgers, Craig Nishizaki, Steve Gunderson, Chuck Bleth**, and all the others who have faithfully helped at Cabo Chapter Retreats.

Over the past three years, I've met many of you in Cabo, or here at the chapter house. Founders Day is important to show us that the bonds we are creating as undergrads are not just for now, but for the rest of our lives.

Several years ago, we started a tradition of inviting alumni and parents back to the chapter house after Founders Day. A large group showed up again this year, giving us a chance to hear your tales about "the good old days" and more time to know you better.

We hope many of you will consider coming to this next Cabo Retreat. That's where we really get to know the "vertical fraternity" — alumni of all ages mixing with us and our parents. It's wonderful!

— Billy Kerechek '04



## Alumnus of the Year: Jim Boyle '88

The undergraduates of Washington Alpha Chapter announced this recognition of Jim Boyle at Founders Day. If there is any Washington Alpha alum who deserves the title of "Mr. Phi Psi," it's Jim. Since his graduation, and even in Law School, he has been actively involved in Chapter and National Fraternity affairs.

He now lives and practices law in Las Vegas. Despite the distance, he still helps advise in all facets of Chapter affairs, plus National committee work, and recently was nominated Chairman of the American Leadership Academy Board of Trustees. Congratulations Jim, you're earned this award — many times over.



Parents at the 2006 Christmas stockings event

## Parents Group Supports the Chapter

Throughout the history of Washington Alpha, there's always been a Mothers' Club. They helped the Chapter in many ways, and it was a social organization for the mothers.

Times have changed. Now, few of the mothers are stay-at-home housewives. So, we formed the Parents' Group which involves both working parents.

They do many things that enhance their sons' college and fraternity life, and also allow them to share in the experience. As examples, the Christmas stockings tradition, cooking Sunday dinners on the cook's day off, sharing the experience of the Cabo Retreat with their sons, and speaking in the seminars, attending Founders Day, helping with rush by talking to prospective pledge parents, fixing up rooms or making repairs in the Chapter House, and generally helping the undergraduates.

We were the first chapter to invite parents to our Chapter Retreat, and now other chapters are doing it. We are also the first to invite representatives to Founders Day.

Most recently, it was a Sunday spaghetti feed, prepared by **Kathy** and **Barry Katzen '61**, parents of **Tyler '04**, and **Bev** and **Steve Fissel**, parents of **Brian '05**. Everybody pitches in to prepare the meal. Kathy commented, "It was so much fun, and the kids appreciate the meal."

The Chapter needs all the support that it can get, and the Group has helped bring the involved alumni, parents, and their sons closer than they have been in years.

## *Alphan Postscripts*

Feedback from alums,  
parents,  
and others . . .

### From Ann Kittleberger, daughter of Dale McKnight '32:

"Before my father died in October '05, he added a codicil to his will contributing an additional \$5,000 to the Chapter Scholarship Fund. Phi Kappa Psi was dear to my father's heart. It was at Phi Psi that he formed life-long friends and established values that remained part of him." (Income from this contribution will be added to the Dale McKnight Scholarship in 2008.)

### From Jerry Nelson, Cal. Epsilon '48,

"The Endowment Fund is making serious money these days. We're now at \$29 million, and growing very nicely. I'm comfortable that we will be at \$50 million within five years!

"However, it's not just about money — it provides the means to fund national scholarships and facilities, and the leadership training that our young Americans need. I'm pleased that the American Leadership Academy is becoming a model for so many other fraternities to use with their own members. The challenge to fraternities is to renew our commitments to honorable values, and a vision to play a meaningful part in the nation's life and growth. This requires more interaction through chapter retreats across the Nation — as Washington Alpha has done — with our alumni Brothers, undergraduates and their parents, University officials, and business and political leadership in our communities working together."

3/11/07 — PS: "I am up to my ears in undergraduate Brothers! We have 170 (the first Spring Break group of over 1,000) arriving at the ALA today from 23 universities — nine are coming from Washington Alpha. The seminar sessions start tomorrow."

### From Dan & Cary Peterson, parents of Brett '05:

"The conversations between alums and our sons at the ALA Cabo Chapter Retreat can be life-changing, without even knowing it. Much of the time outside the seminar sessions is spent in casual socializing. It's such a beautiful place for this. Our talks with alum **Jay Drye '87** and his wife, Lisa, resulted in Brett changing his major, after he learned more about Jay's career in Civil Engineering. It matched what Brett wants to do, and Jay intends to keep advising him. We would love to go to Cabo again with our son."

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# The Changing Face of Phi Psi — The National — and Washington Alpha

By Paul Wineman

**As presented at Founders Day 2007**

When I was in the chapter house, some of my classmates from '55 didn't know that I was a Phi Psi legacy. My father was initiated by the Pennsylvania Beta Chapter (Allegheny College) in 1918. The fraternity has been in my family for 89 years. It was a major influence on me in my college years; now, I'm giving back for what I received.

Many alumni don't realize that the fraternity, and its influence on young college men — is as important, if not MORE important than it ever was. Society has changed greatly in the last 50-60 years. All the more reason why the fraternity must instill leadership and character-building values so needed today.

For the past four years, I have been teaching Negotiating Skills to undergraduates at chapters around the country, and at the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas. At the recent GAC in New Orleans, I was elected National Vice President, and after this term, I may go on to run for President. Phi Psi is changing, both nationally and at the chapter level. I am a part of that effort, and I want to continue to be a part.

Many things have happened in the past few years to bolster the strength of the fraternity. We have grown to 95 chapters; we have the new Laurel Hall headquarters in Indianapolis — the best facility of any fraternity, where much of the leadership training now takes place.

The Endowment Fund is at around \$29 million and growing — the largest tax-free financial foundation of any fraternity. Much of the income from the Fund is directed to supporting national leadership education, and this year, scholarships totaling \$250,000. And, we have the independently operated American Leadership Academy, thanks to Jerry Nelson. No other fraternity has such a facility, and other fraternities are now training there as well. Fraternities learning together — this has never happened before!

## A Crossroads: The Chapter Can Grow and Thrive, or Slowly Fail

I am involved significantly with Phi Psi at the national level, but my primary concern is still our Chapter. Washington Alpha is THE fraternity to us. And, the apathy of some alumni is willing it to fail. Our Chapter is, so to speak, at a crossroads. It can move ahead, grow and thrive, or slowly dwindle. To be blunt — it's up to you — the alumni.

I will explain this further but first, let me back up a little.

Seventy-five years ago, on the brink of the Great Depression, a group of alumni came together to rebuild Washington Alpha after the '29 Thanksgiving Eve fire. Within two years, they raised or borrowed \$60,000, over \$1 million today, and designed and built one of the nicest chapter houses at Washington. They had to act fast, or lose the Chapter. It was a phenomenal achievement, with the stock market crash, thousands of banks closing, families losing their entire savings, and 18 million men soon to be without jobs.

Back in the "old days" of formal rush, many of you remember entering the House at your first evening dinner date, and saying to yourself, "*This is where I want to belong! This is where I want to live!*" Phi Psi had one of the most inviting, beautiful houses at the University. Since then, about 1,500 Brothers have lived there — but that's just a small fraction of the number that has gone through its doors. Every one of us, and all those that are now gone, used it during our four years. And none of us paid a cent toward true rent, the cost of using or replenishing it.

We paid a house bill that covered operating costs, as the undergraduates do today. Their cost is \$2,200 per quarter. I can remember my house bill, over 50 years ago, was only \$85 a month!

There was never any thought to the future. No sinking fund. Maybe there was a Building Fund from time to time that ended up being spent on maintenance, but nothing saved for house renewal at the inevitable end of its usefulness.



The chapter house gave you a great four-plus years — a place to belong, great social life, friendships — maybe you met your future wife — and the place and time to grow up before facing the real world. Many of you have fathers, sons, brothers, uncles, cousins who are Phi Psis. Yet, many have used the place, graduated, walked out the front door, and never looked back. You may have great loyalties to classmates, but it's easy to forget that the chapter house provided the place for this to happen. Think about this; the fraternity changed you — for life.

We have a great group of undergraduates — these young men who are in the Chapter now. Fifty percent of them come from a one-parent or dysfunctional family — that's a stark fact. Put yourselves in their shoes. They are no different than you were, but they live in a much faster, more competitive time. They see the chapter house as it is now, not as it once was. If you would take the time to attend a function, like the Pledge/Parent lunch in the fall, you'd see that the old place still can have that same feeling you experienced in rush. It's still beautiful if you don't look too closely — but very tired!

These guys are in a "catch-22" situation: Chapter growth is all-dependent on "numbers" — membership. They are rushing with an old facility, against competition from the deep-pocketed University, other fraternities that have renovated, and new apartment housing. With no formal rush week, they have to rush year-round, with little help from the University. Phi Psi isn't alone — all fraternities at Washington have the same challenge: maintaining membership that can support ever-increasing costs.

### Do You Want Phi Psi To Slowly Fade Away? I hope not!

Here's where alumni apathy, that I mentioned earlier, is THE eroding key factor. Those fraternities that have renovated are generally flourishing. Those that haven't, with outdated houses, and apathetic alumni, are not.

I can list fraternities at Washington now — once great chapters, some of them our neighbors — that are dead, dying, or in bad shape because of alumni apathy: like DKE, Alpha Delt, Phi Delt, Lambda Chi, ATO, Sigma Nu — and there are more. Fortunately, this hasn't and won't happen to us, because we are blessed with a core group of selfless and loyal alumni who give their time at the House Corporation and advisor levels to give Washington Alpha an edge.

**But it could happen** — if we don't wake up soon.

I know what you're thinking: "*They want money!*" You're right! It's pay-back time!

Equally important — it's about *involvement*. Our young Phi Psis need mentoring. I hear this from undergraduates constantly at chapters around the country and at Cabo leadership sessions — "*Thank you for taking the time to talk to me,*" or "*I haven't anyone else to talk to....*"

### Chapter Fund — Tax-Free Capital, Loan Source, Income for Scholarships

About five years ago, we started a campaign to raise the bar at Washington Alpha. We were challenged to make the Chapter better. We've done that and the effort is ongoing. For example: we have the fourth-largest Scholarship Fund — thanks to all of you who have contributed; we have a chapter GPA steadily above 3.0; our annual retreat in Cabo San Lucas is the greatest success story of any chapter in the fraternity; and we've created a first-rate study facility and computer lab on the third floor of the chapter house.

Those alumni who have contributed to the Scholarship Fund — and many contributors are far away from Seattle — have helped our fund grow and thrive. But we need everyone to participate! Our fund produces income, partially used for the growing number of scholarships, and accumulates capital for an eventual renovation loan. We've now awarded about \$70,000 in scholarships since 2000. The income can only be used for educational purposes — scholarships. The more capital — the more income for scholarships!

Before I became Vice President, I was a trustee of the Endowment Fund. I can assure you, our Scholarship Fund account is well-invested, and safe. The EF is a separate 501(c)(3) tax-free foundation. Last year, it made 11 percent on the invested capital. And, the capital cannot be spent — only borrowed. It's like a forced savings account for the Chapter.

### Get Involved! It's Rewarding!

Now, about involvement. We are slowly making changes to make the chapter house more livable, more appealing — more "saleable" in rush. So to speak, "*We're putting some cosmetics on the old girl!*"

The "we" is a group of concerned alumni — parents, too — giving money out of our own pockets — and our time — to make improvements. No tax deductions, either — we're just giving the money and time. Until we can get the membership numbers larger and the income flow higher, we're putting Band-Aids on the larger issue — a renovation of the house.

A group just contributed money to replace the spiral staircase carpet. Kurt Helgerson, the Chapter Advisor, is spearheading a list of chapter house fix-up projects that will involve both alums and undergraduates. The parents are organizing their own projects, maintaining traditions like the Christmas stockings, organizing the Pledge/Parent Luncheon, preparing Sunday meals for the Chapter, talking to prospective pledge parents during rush, helping with the Chapter Retreat.

**Get involved!** You'll be amazed how rewarding it is! The House Corporation needs help; so does the Alumni Association; the guys need mentoring — many of them don't know where they're heading in a career. Think back — you were there once, too! And, we want you — we need you — to come to the retreat in Mexico. That event will inspire anyone to rekindle the Phi Psi spirit.

If you're interested in helping in any way, contact one of us. But, don't expect the chapter house to look just like it did when you graduated. That may have been 10 to 50 years ago, or more. A half-century ago — that's me. Hard to believe!

I know what a lot of you are thinking right now. You're saying to yourselves, "Well, I've got a lot of time to get involved. I'll wait a while and do it later." **Don't! Give it a try, the need is now!**

Times have changed, but if you get involved, you'll discover that the experience is much the same, with the same benefits. If anything, the fraternity — belonging — is more important than ever, in a big school like the "U"!

**Do we want Washington Alpha to slowly fade away? I hope not. A renovation has to happen.**

These young men here tonight aren't going to benefit, but many of the classes to follow will.

**Dig deep. It's about the renewal of Washington Alpha — the place — the people — the experience.**

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**Plan Ahead: Founders Day '08 ~ Saturday, March 1, 2008, 5:30 p.m. ~ Mark Your Calendar!  
"FD at the SYC"**

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## *Alphan Postscripts*

**From Lisa & Kirk Manahan, parents of Cole '07:**

"When Cole first told us that he was interested in checking out fraternities, we were surprised. The little that we heard about the Greek System was not good. Our first exposure was when we attended the Phi Psi Scholarship Luncheon with Cole last June. We were impressed with the quality of the young men. I was happy to see the involvement of other parents and alumni, too. **Paul Wineman** was the featured speaker, and it was a very positive experience. Cole continued to check out other fraternities. Some were sports-oriented, some party houses, others were more balanced. When he decided on Phi Kappa Psi, he was really sure. We trusted his choice after I called **Kathy Katzen** to get another parent's perspective. Cole was initiated in January. He grew up with two sisters without the experience of having brothers — now he has a houseful! We've noticed a new sense of maturity and independence. He takes seriously his house responsibilities and chores; he enjoys the intramural sports, takes his studies to heart, and has study mates and tutors available at all hours. The unique Phi Kappa Psi village of Brothers, alumni, and parents offer him experience, opportunities, community, and growth that we, as his parents cannot. We are grateful for this."

**From Mark Raugust '01:**

"It was great seeing everyone at Founders Day. I want to keep Phi Psi a part of my life, and I just set up my automatic contribution to the Scholarship Fund. I was at the house after the dinner — I'm the alum who bought most of the beer! The kids in the house now are really a great crew; it was nice meeting all of them. Now that I'm making more money, I'll be able to continue coming to Founders Day."

**From Vivian & Kevin Belcher, parents of Collin '07:**

"We had a wonderful evening at Founders Day. The house has given Collin a connection and friendships that he never would have had in a dormitory. These boys genuinely care about each other. Going to the Cabo Retreat as a pledge mom was amazing for me. Hearing the boys stand up at the mid-week dinner and talk about their expectations in college was very inspiring. We adults pay money to go to motivational classes; the Retreat provides them to us and our sons for free, because **Jerry Nelson** and the other alumni want them to succeed in college, and in life. We look forward to attending Cabo again, meeting alums and other parents, and seeing the continued growth in our son and his Brothers."

*More Alphan Postscripts* 

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### From Doug & Nancy Johnston, parents of Ryan '05:

"When Ryan first mentioned joining a fraternity, we didn't know all the ways that it would affect his life. Help when he was struggling in school, a circle of Brothers for life, a group of alumni who would pledge to be there for him in the future . . . .

I learned all these things when we attended the Cabo Retreat two years ago. It was absolutely the most amazing, eye-opening experience of my life. When we couldn't go this last fall, I was truly disappointed — not just for the beautiful scenery, fantastic food, great conversations with other parents and alumni, the wonderful learning experiences in the seminars. What I missed most was getting to know Ryan's Brothers better — they are truly a special group of young men. They work hard, they play hard, they support each other, and are committed to making their fraternity one that is respected. We are proud Ryan is part of such a group."

### Excerpt from a Christmas poem by Maria Segal, mother of Phil '06:

"Philip is twenty and now a sophomore in college.

At least out of state tuition payments have helped increase his knowledge!

As a Phi Kappa Psi, he has surely found his niche

At the University of Washington — an experience so rich!"

"Yes!" said my husband. "And wasn't it fun last September,

Partying with the Phi Psis in Cabo — a week I'll always remember!

Such fine young men in our son's fraternity, No 'Animal House,' or at least so it seemed to me."

### From Diane Menday, mother of Jeff '06:

"Phi Psi is giving so much more to Jeff than we could have hoped for — close friendships, leadership skills, and people skills. We are impressed with how the alumni are giving him so much guidance and encouragement, much more than when his father and I were Greek undergraduates. We were amazed at the fantastic seminar sessions in Cabo. Jeff will be returning to Cabo for his third time with Spring Break sessions at the ALA. I asked him about this, and he said, 'Even if it's the same information, it's good to hear again — I get something different out of the sessions every time.' We just found out last night that our second son, Dan, has decided to pledge Phi Psi. We couldn't be happier."

### From Kathy and Barry Katzen '64, parents of Tyler '04:

"I have talked to many parents struggling with the decision whether their son should join a fraternity or not. I can honestly

say to them that Phi Kappa Psi is a great fraternity where their son will make lifetime friends, grow through leadership roles, and have supportive alumni who want the boys and the house to succeed. Attending the ALA with other Chapters during Spring Break and again at the Chapter Retreat with alums and parents — both are such extraordinary learning experiences.

We are so proud of Tyler. We have watched him grow in these four years to such a remarkable young man. He has eagerly assumed leadership roles, and made so many wonderful friends. It has been great for Barry to reconnect to the fraternity through him. Thank you, Tyler, for sharing your fraternity life with us. We have met some wonderful people."

### From Kirk Manahan, father of Cole '07:

"Access to quality labor is a constant challenge in my business, moving and storage. Four Phi Psi Brothers worked for us last summer. **Jim Connelly, Jeff Menday, Tony Morris, and Mike Rossi**, with my son, Cole. I was impressed by their work ethic, skill, and attitude. Our most experienced work crews asked that these guys be put on their jobs. Many customers commented on the quality of our moving crews, and they were the best of the summer help. I learned that the four had set the Cabo Retreat as their end-of-summer goal, and working with them was a motivating factor in Cole joining the fraternity."

### From Bill Blecken '42:

"The fall '06 *Alphan* has to be the best yet. I forwarded the color PDF of the issue to **Dick Zahniser and John Zelasko**. The stories by **Frank Nolan** are a kick. One thing that caught my eye was the obit on **Ken Wilson**. I was his roommate when I first pledged, and it so happened that we were both majoring in Civil Engineering. It was a major help having Ken as a roommate."

### From Bob Edgers '49:

"**Jim Boyle '88** has moved to Chairman of the ALA, and **John Henebry (USC '84)** moved from Chairman to the Vice-Chairman position that I vacated. **Dick Starr (Ohio State '65)** was elected Secretary, replacing Jim in that slot. I recruited Dick to take my place; he's the kind of guy that has the fraternity and the ALA commitment balanced, but close to heart. I met him when he joined the Salvation Army board more than a year ago. With pride in getting the ALA up and running these past three years, I leave the Board with mixed feelings. It would be exciting to stay, and important work needs to be done, but this is a time (with Terry's health and other reasons) for me to stay closer to home right now."

### From Stan Kohagen '55 to Ed Larson '46 and Frank Nolan '43:

"The Moonbeam McSwine, Daisy Mae, and other 'Li'l Abner' figures that you made must have been for a fall Barn Dance. That '40s picture of you with Moonbeam on your

lap was taken in the basement Rec Room, now called The Cave.

In the early '50s, **Pete Winslow '53**, editor of the campus humor magazine, *The Columns*, got **Ross Swift**, the magazine artist, to draw color cartoons of fraternity and campus life on all three walls. They were wonderful but, sometime much later, they were painted over. It was a big mistake because the drawings were timeless."



Ed, Moonbeam, and Daisy Mae, with Woodrow Wilson looking on

"The old "Hummer-sized" antique pool table is still there. As you commented, **Dutch Hawn '40** and **Jumbo Arndt '41** would take turns lifting one end effortlessly." (It was recently refurbished, thanks to **Jim Boyle '88**.)

"I noticed in your obituary about Dutch that he was in the WWII Battle of the Bulge, and the liberation of Buchenwald concentration camp. As **Pete Neil '48** recently recalled in Dawg Talk, no wonder it was scary at night on the sleeping porch with veteran Brothers reliving their war experiences in their sleep."

### From Frank Nolan '43:

"**Pete Neil's** observation regarding 'gentle giant' **Dutch Hawn's** aversion to (using) the paddle was interesting. Just to make a wild guess, perhaps 15 percent didn't paddle, 15 percent seemed to take a sadistic view of the pledge's kiester, and 70 percent took a rather judicious — let the punishment fit the crime — view. As I remember, with the pledge training philosophy of 'All for one and one for all,' I took dozens of whacks for **Ed Larson's** outrageous conduct."

Visit Washington Alpha on the Web: [www.uwphipsi.com](http://www.uwphipsi.com)

## Traditions: Remember Getting “Banked”?

Teaching etiquette is a tradition that has reappeared from time to time in the Chapter. If you were in the house, particularly from the '40s through '60s, off-and-on after that, you'll remember the book banks in the center of the dining room tables. Upperclassmen sat at the head of the table, Monday through Thursday, lunch and dinner, and they were the judges of etiquette infractions. (Friday dinner was “grunge night” — when anything, within limits, was allowed!)

Talking with your mouth full? Put a dime in the bank! Leaning back in your chair? Another dime in the bank! Pass food and condiments; don't slide them across the table! No swearing! No elbows on

the table! Remember the food passing rule? “Right (hand) over left (hand), left over right, except on the corners.”

Another rule: how to hold your fork properly. If you wanted to eat Continental style, with knife in one hand, and fork in the other, forget it! Or, bring lots of dimes! As pledges, we also learned how to set the tables and how to serve food: “Serve from the left, remove from the right.”

If our table manners needed improvement, it was a quick way to learn. They were lessons that we would use for a lifetime. And the Social Fund got the money!

## We Welcome New Initiates to Washington Alpha

January 14, 2007

1641 Cole Parker Manahan ..... Ballard HS ..... Seattle, WA  
 1642 Blake Christian Thomas ..... Edina HS ..... Edina, MN  
 1643 Christopher Randolph Herzog . Bainbridge HS ..... Seattle, WA  
 1644 Christian Ray Gabriel Garcia ... Lakeside HS ..... Tulalip, WA

1645 Harold Roy Keltner III ..... Juanita HS ..... Kirkland, WA

April 2, 2007

1646 Kellen Quinn Anable ..... Lynwood HS ..... Lynwood, WA  
 1647 Kurt Alfred Brendley ..... McLean HS ..... McLean, VA  
 1648 Ian McKay Ferguson ..... Mt. Spokane HS .... Mead, WA

## Obituaries

**Lincoln L. McCoy, '47-511**, of Seattle, died February 12, 2007. **Frank Nolan, '43-421**, who informed the alumni office and sent a copy of the following obituary, wrote: “I met Lincoln 71 years ago. He was a class act then and he was a class act when I saw him last, 20-odd years ago.”

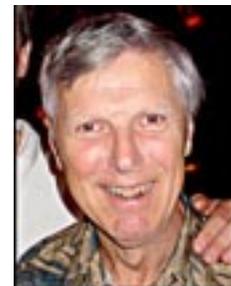
Born in Seattle in 1926, Linc grew up in the University District, graduated from Roosevelt High School, and then joined the Navy to serve in World War II. After graduating from the UW, he embarked on what became a 38-year career with Peoples Bank (now US Bank). His first manager position was in Federal Way; later, he managed the Bremerton office. He ended his long career in West Seattle, as manager of both branches.

Linc loved people, occasionally “bending” banking rules to do so. He was a civic leader throughout his life, active in Chambers of Commerce, Lions Club, and the West Seattle Rotary Club, where he was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship. In his spare time, he enjoyed his coffee groups and memberships at both Kitsap and Rainier Golf and Country Clubs. He also loved to travel, and he and his wife of 24 years, Wendy, travelled the world together. In addition to his wife, Linc is survived by sons Lon, Lance, Laird, and Lane; daughter Lisa; and two grandchildren. Linc's first wife, Margie, died in 1980.

**Gerald L. Foote, '55-654**, who had resided in La Conner, Washington, died February 6, 2007, in Palm Desert, California, at age 72. Pledge brother **Stan Kohagen, '55-657**, sent the following obituary.

“Gary, as he was known to everyone, was born February 13, 1935, in Seattle. He graduated from Bellevue High School in 1953, and then went to the University of Washington. As a member of Phi Kappa

Psi, Gary was his pledge class president. Throughout his four years in the Fraternity, he was always at the center of what was happening in the chapter house. To help pay school costs, he helped in the kitchen with chef Bob Ashford. With all the kibitzing that went on between these two and others, it was amazing that anything was cooked! Gary had a very outgoing personality — no wonder he was so successful in retailing. He graduated from the “U” in 1957 with a degree in business administration. In both high school and college, he was active in Navy ROTC; after graduation, he went to OCS and became an Ensign. He retired as a Commander after 21 years of service.



“In 1959, Gary married Sharon Ann Gessert. They had three children: Carolyn, Craig, and Brian. In 1962, Gary decided to go into business for himself and opened the Bucket 'n Brush paint store in Crossroads Shopping Center. Over the next 32 years, he grew the store business, and also opened The Frame Factory, Holiday House, and Bellevue Art & Frame. He sold Bellevue Art & Frame in 1994 for health reasons. He lived with Parkinson's Disease for more than 30 years, but he did not allow the illness to prevent him from pursuing many adventures. He loved boating and traveling, and spending time with his family. Gary is survived by his wife, Sharon; daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Jeff Marshall; his son, Craig Foote; son and daughter-in-law, Brian and Jennifer Foote; and three grandchildren, Mike Marshall, Elizabeth Marshall, and Peter Foote.”

Sources: *Seattle Times*; Stan Kohagen

## Dawg Talk

**Robert S. Bell, '41-383**, and his wife, Catherine “Cay” (ΑΓΔ-UW), celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary November 30, 2006. They raised four daughters: Barbara (ΑΓΔ-UW; born 1946; died in an accident in 1980), Cathie (ΔΔΔ-UW; born 1949), Marleen (ΔΔΔ-UW; born 1954), and Janice (UW; born 1960). Bob and Cay share a special interest in ballroom dancing. Bob writes, “It was a great article in *The Alphan* about **Ed Larson, Ramsay Sandelin**, and **Frank Nolan**. I was sad to read of the demise of so many we knew.” Contact him at 14114 46th Ave. NW, Stanwood, WA 98292; 360-652-6661.

**Gordon D. Collins, '43-414**, wrote: “Congrats to you and the prize-winning newsletter, with the riveting articles by **Frank Nolan** (always humorous, etc.), **Ed Larson, Bobbie Edgers, Stan Kohagen**,

and many other writers. I found my checkbook under a big pile of stuff, and hope this little donation will keep the best newsletter coming.” Gordy receives mail at PO Box 934, Los Altos, CA 94022.

**James B. Slayden, '43-416**, commented, “Newsletter exceptional! Letters from Seattle alums! Sorry to miss Founders.” He can be reached at 37 Mela Lane, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275.

**Philip N. Harrington, '47-502**, wrote: “I live in a senior community called Sun Lakes Country Club, near Palm Springs. Nothing much is new, but life is good.” Phil is a retired mortgage banker. He and his wife, Betty, enjoy golf and travel. They have one son and three daughters: Melissa, 54; Ron, 49; Cheryl, 42; and Joni, 32. Contact Phil at 5034 Singing Hills Dr., Banning, CA 92220, or philbetty@deir.com.

**Charles I. Johnson, '49-545**, and his wife, Kathleen (ΑΓΔ-WSU), live at 3725 SW 171<sup>st</sup> St., Burien, WA 98166, and their phone number is 206-243-8182. They have a son, Carl (50). Their granddaughter got married January 1, 2007. "I read the last *Alphan* — sure enjoyed **Frank Nolan's** memories of yesteryear," Chuck wrote.

**Michael I. Gamble, '54-632**, wrote: "I retired from Boeing after 49 years (off and on). We sold our real estate and moved into our motor home at the end of 2005. Now it's winters where it's warm and summers in the Pacific Northwest." When Mike wrote in December 2006, he and his wife, Charlotte, were at 173 Rainbow Dr., #7387, Livingston, TX 77399. Send e-mail to mikegamble@hughes.net or call 253-709-8026.

**H. Allan Bidwell, '54-643**, was elected to the national board of directors in October 2006 for the retired management team of J.C. Penney Executives. He also serves as a board member of the J. C. Penney Foundation. Allan and his wife, Betty, live at 900 Island Dr., #306, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, and their phone number is 760-770-5088.

**David F. Suter, '59-750**, reported: "I'm retired in a golf community located on the southeast coast of North Carolina. During a trip to the west coast in August '06, I visited two pledge brothers, **Neil Botting ['60-754]**, who lives on 90 acres in the mountains of Colorado near Florissant, and **Jerry Oflock ['59-742]**, who lives on the Rogue River near Grants Pass, Oregon. It was great to see them — hadn't seen Neil for 40-plus years and Jerry for 25-plus years. Both are doing well." David and his wife, Pat (Northern Colorado Univ.), reside at 3027 E. Fairway Cir. SW, Supply, NC 28462. They have a son, Steve, who lives in Sammamish, Washington, and is employed in the insurance business. Call Dave at 910-842-3144 or send e-mail to suter1@mindspring.com.

**W. Jack Burk, '60-770**, recently moved to 11321 19th Ave. NE, Seattle, WA 98125.

**Stephen E. Murphy, '63-832**, continues his involvement with the Pixote Literacy Fund, which helps street kids learn to read and gain life

skills in Central and South America. Steve and his family helped establish the fund in 2003. So far, the fund has helped children in eight different locations around the Americas. "We believe every child in our hemisphere should be able to read," he wrote. Steve and his wife, Vicki, receive mail at PO Box 15155, Seattle, WA 98115. Send e-mail to Steve at s\_e\_murphy@hotmail.com or call 206-525-5511. Information on the Pixote Literacy Fund is available at [www.partners.net/pixote](http://www.partners.net/pixote).

**David R. Pollard, '66-905**, moved from Alexandria, Virginia, to 3765 Parula Rd., Klamath Falls, OR 97601.

**David C. Reeves, '75-1093**, wrote: "My wife, Becky, and our children spent nearly three years living in Sydney, Australia, where I was managing director/CEO of Caltex Australia Ltd., that nation's largest refining and marketing company. In May of 2006, we returned to the Bay Area, which has been the hub of our travels since I joined Chevron Corporation out of the UW in 1978. Today, I am president of Global Supply and Trading for Chevron. It is hard to believe that it has been over 28 years since I left Seattle looking for work.

"I was in Seattle showing my daughter, Emily, various schools last year, to see if I could pique her interest in UW. Alas, she decided to head to Colorado and is now a freshman at UC-Boulder. It wasn't a wasted trip, however, because I had a chance to have breakfast with **Loren Raynes ['75-1092]**. I would have made that trip just for that connection. My son, Andrew, is a sophomore in high school, so I have one more shot at creating a second-generation UW Phi Psi.

"I enjoyed reading the fall 2006 edition of *The Alphan*. No wonder to me why you won the best chapter newsletter at the latest GAC. I am enclosing a check to help support your good work." Dave can be reached at 133 Sunhaven Rd., Danville, CA 94506; 925-820-3039; [dreeves101@aol.com](mailto:dreeves101@aol.com) or [dreeves@chevron.com](mailto:dreeves@chevron.com).

**David A. Lodge, '02-1563**, now resides at 4045 NE 87th St., Seattle, WA 98815.

## 2006 Honor Roll of Contributors

The 2006 alumni communications program year has ended, and we thank the 104 brothers of Washington Alpha Chapter listed below, who donated a total of \$6,595 — going over and above the 2005 total of \$6,355. Many thanks to each of you, and to the six brothers listed who have already sent contributions for 2007. Please join them on the 2007 Honor Roll of Contributors. Your contributions keep *The Alphan* in circulation. When you're sending a contribution, write a note to Dawg Talk, too. Let us — and your classmates — know what you're doing, and where you are!

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