



**Washington Alpha – 100 Years  
1914 - 2014**

**Founders Day 2012:**

***Steve Murphy '63 Named Alumnus of the Year***

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**Steve Murphy '63, winner of the 2012 Whitney Harris '30 Alumnus of the Year Award, displays the plaque with his name added to those of past awardees (L-R) Craig Nishizaki (2009), Paul Wineman (2010), and Tony Wiegering (2011).**

Steve has had a long career doing business in Latin America. He is the Senior Advisor, Latin America, for Pacific NW Advisors, consulting for firms and universities expanding operations, especially in Brazil, Columbia, and Chile. He has mentored a number of chapter undergraduates interested in International Business, exposing them to opportunities for internships and service abroad. At the Founders Day gathering, Steve announced

an International Service Scholarship funded by his \$25,000 contribution to the Chapter Scholarship Fund. This annual scholarship — a minimum of \$1,000 — will be awarded in perpetuity. **Kelsey Leek '11** is the 2012 International Service Scholar. Steve also made a presentation, titled “*Doing Business in 21st Century South America*,” to the undergraduates at the Washington Alpha week of the American Leadership Academy in March.

**Capacity Crowd Fills the UW Faculty Club**

Alumni, all the undergraduates, plus a representative group of parents, came together for a great Founders Day evening. Some alumni attended an Open House at the Chapter House before the dinner, met some of the parents, and had fun touring the House and reminiscing over old photo albums from the Chapter archives. A group of alums stood in the upstairs hall, recalling stories, and memories of who lived in which rooms!

Before the dinner, alums and parents walked with the undergraduates from the House to the Faculty Club. Again, there was no guest speaker to allow more time for everyone to mix, mingle, and socialize. Sixty monetary award scholarships were announced — fifty from the Scholarship Fund, and ten from the Wineman Challenge (see Scholarships, page 3). A before-dinner auction raised \$1,000 to help the Seattle Alumni Association fund other events. Special thanks to alums who donated items,



**Alumni enjoyed looking through old photo albums and reminiscing at the Open House.**

particularly **Brad Phillips '89, Jim Boyle '88 and Mark Crisler '80**. Mark contributed wines from his company Trellis Wine Group, which are a big hit at the dining tables!

***1950s Era Lunch planned! See page 7.***

## Founders Day 2012:

**Congratulations, 2012 Scholarship Winners!****The Scholarship Fund Winners**

**L to R: Bryce Hobbs, Michael Lauritzen, Conner Coleman, Matthew Dahl, Ryu Sikora, Dylan Taylor, Daniel Colon, Sean Peterson, Nolan Kozu, Romero Kupai, Riley Zollars, Kelsey Leek, Jebraan Gowani, Jeff Huschka, Tanner Faubion, Kyle Sant, Chris Caluza, Saare Tesfay, Brandon Langeland, Nicholas Chambers, Colin Kirkmire, Mike Jo, Mike Acode, and Lucas Smith.**

The Washington Alpha Scholarship Fund, held within the Phi Psi Foundation, now totals \$420,000. Only part of the annual income from the Fund is available for scholarships, and must be paid out to maintain the Fund's tax-free status. The principal from all tax-deductible alumni contributions stays in the Fund *in perpetuity*. Since 2000, when it was started by an estate bequest from **John Quick '49**, the Fund has distributed \$180,000 in awards to 293 undergraduates.

These cash awards are important to the undergraduates. Many of them work part or full-time during school, and full-time in the summer in order to stay in school and the fraternity, and supplement what their parents can afford. Their *total* school costs per quarter are now around \$7,000; out-of-state students pay that much for just UW tuition.

Sixty monetary award scholarships were announced — fifty totaling \$19,000 from the *Scholarship Fund*, and ten totaling \$10,000 from the *Wineman Challenge*. The checks for all the cash awards will be distributed at the Scholarship Awards Brunch in June, when the total amount has been released and paid out through the tax-free Phi Psi Foundation.

**Paul Wineman '55** offered a pledging and scholastic challenge to the chapter Fall Quarter 2011. They exceeded his first requirement, to recruit 20 or more. He offered to personally pay \$1,000 to each pledge that made at least a 3.25 GPA. If every pledge made that GPA, others in the chapter who made at least a 3.0 GPA would also get \$1,000. The chapter aimed for a 3.4 chapter GPA but only attained 3.12, below the All-Men's Average

(See *State of the Chapter message*). However, ten freshmen made 3.25 or higher, qualifying for this award. Before Founders Day, Paul presented a certificate to each of these freshmen, acknowledging his award.

**The Wineman Challenge**

**Lucas Smith (left), one of 10 freshmen who met the challenge to achieve a 3.25 (or better) grade point average in Fall Quarter 2011, receives a certificate from Paul Wineman '55.**

**Wineman Challenge Awards  
\$1,000 each.**

Nick Henderson	Lucas Smith
Jebraan Gowani	Riley Zollars
Baxter Smith	Conner Coleman
Colin Kirkmire	Chris Klaczynski
John Kivimaki	Dylan Justus

**Academic Achievement Awards**

This award goes to brothers who earned a 3.45 or better GPA for a quarter, multiplied by the number of quarters they achieved this GPA. (Eligible are those who didn't win other monetary awards, and who lived in the chapter last summer, vital to a successful rush).

Riley Zollars, Freshman	3.67 GP (Fall 2011)	\$100
Matthew Dahl, Senior	3.57; 3.5; 3.6 (2011)	\$300
Christopher Caluza, Freshman	3.73; 3.77; 3.95 (2011)	\$300
Johnathan Irwin, Sophomore	3.57 (Fall 2011)	\$100

## 2012 Scholarships and Awards

### John Quick '49 Memorial Scholarship — Outstanding Brother - \$1,500

#### Nolan Koza '10

3.3 GPA; Business Administration major; Current VGP; Co-Rush Chairman 2011; IMA Basketball; past Messenger, Social Chairman; member of Social, Philanthropy, Rush Committees; Sigma King of the Castle representative; past member male practice squad for UW Women's Basketball Team; Eagle Scout; excelled in all aspects of Chapter life.

### Brent Streich '00 Memorial Scholarship — Senior of the Year - \$1,500

#### Ryu Sikora '09

3.6 GPA; Accounting & Information Sciences majors (graduated); working on Masters in Accounting; working at Pricewaterhousecoopers; GP Summer/Fall 2011; Social Chairman; Rush Committee; Governing Committee.  
Member - Beta Alpha Psi Accounting Club; past Rush Co-Chairman 2010; Past Treasurer – organized chapter finances; has led by example and lived all four years in the fraternity.

### Freshman of the Year — Lucas Smith - \$1,000

3.67 GP (Fall); Dean's List; Microbiology Major, Minor in Spanish; Social Chairman; Alpha Gam Mr. Greek Contest – raised \$6,100; Elected to IFC Standards Board.

### Sophomore of the Year — Bryce Hobbs - \$1,000

3.35 GPA; Mechanical Engineering; Attended Woodrow Wilson Leadership School; Risk Management chair; Past House Manager; Pledge Class President; IFC Executive Board – Standards.

### Junior of the Year — Sean Peterson - \$1,000

3.3 GPA; Accounting; Co-Rush Chair 2011; Chaplain and Finance Chairs; Current Chapter President; Strong community and Greek involvement; Men's A cappella Choir; Concert Band.

### 2012 International Service Scholarship - \$1,000

#### Kelsey Leek '11

3.3 GPA; Engineering major; Attended 2-week mission to Southern Kenya through his church – helped with construction of and worked in a new medical clinic.

### Dale McKnight '32 Scholarship — Most Improved Academically - \$1,000

#### Jeffrey Huschka '11

GPA went from 2.8 first quarter to above 3.5 for all of 2011; Business major; past Alumni Relations Chair; active in philanthropies, new Rush Chairman. Member of Men's Glee Club.

### Ruddick Lawrence '31 Scholarship — Community Service - \$1,000

#### Romero Kupai '10

3.6 GPA; Biochemistry major; Volunteered at Seattle Arboretum, Relay for Life, and over 240 hours at Camp Korey for Disabled Children. Past chapter Historian, Fraternity Educator, and Philanthropy Chair; Past VGP 2011; Works as IT Tech – UW Capital Projects Office.

### Del Cyr '46 Freshman Scholarship — Financial Need - \$1,000

#### Jebraan Gowani '12

3.37 GPA (Fall); Paramedicine major; IM Sports; Alumni Relations, Computer Committees; works at UW Capital Projects Office.

### Judge John Meyer '65 Pre-Law Scholarship - \$1,000

#### Michael Lauritzen '11

3.6 GPA; Pre-Law; wants to be a Criminal Lawyer; Past IMA Sports Chairman; Chaplain, and Rush Committee; active in Greek events, Current Co-Rush Chairman.

### Whitney Harris '30 Scholarship — Financial Need - \$1,000

#### Conner Coleman '12

3.43 GPA (Fall); Informatics major; Pledge class VP; involved in Community Service.

### Summer Living Expense Awards

Awards intended to help with the cost of living in the Chapter House during the summer, a critical time for rush when brothers are encouraged to live-in, to help with rush. Each winner receives \$100.

Colin Kirkmire, Freshman  
Tanner Faubion, Sophomore  
Evan Heitman, Sophomore  
Kelsey Leek, Sophomore  
Conner Coleman, Freshman  
Kyle Sant, Sophomore  
Romero Kupai, Junior  
Lucas Smith, Freshman  
Jebraan Gowani, Freshman  
Michael Acode, Sophomore  
Nick Henderson, Freshman  
Hyun (Michael) Jo, Freshman  
Nolan Koza, Junior  
Sean Peterson, Junior  
Ryu Sikora, Senior  
Christopher Klaczynski, Freshman  
Michael Lauritzen, Sophomore  
Bryce Hobbs, Sophomore  
Daniel Colon, Freshman  
Trevor Kauf, Freshman  
Jeffrey Huschka, Sophomore  
Nick Chambers, Sophomore

### American Leadership Academy Awards

Awards intended to help with travel costs to the ALA Spring sessions in Cabo. Eligibility based on GPA and chapter involvement. Each winner receives \$100 toward airfare.

Riley Zollars, Freshman  
Colin Kirkmire, Freshman  
Nick Henderson, Freshman  
Baxter Smith, Freshman  
Michael Lauritzen, Sophomore  
Trevor Kauf, Freshman  
Daniel Colon, Freshman  
Saare Tesfay, Freshman  
Kelsey Leek, Sophomore  
Kyle Sant, Sophomore  
Lucas Smith, Freshman  
Andargachew Dessie, Freshman  
Michael Acode, Sophomore



## Alphan Founders Day Postscript:

From Diana Duenkel, mother of Drew '09:

“Here's a picture of Drew with his uncle, Chris Brownne '80, and grandfather, Wayne Brownne '55, at Founders Day — three generations of the Brownne family in Phi Psi.”



# State of the Chapter

By Sean Peterson, GP and Nolan Koza, VGP

The chapter has experienced unprecedented growth in the past year — the 2011 pledge class the largest in 18 years! Washington Alpha Chapter is headed in a positive direction. If we look back two years, things were different. Although the chapter had many good members with good intentions, progress was slow. Nolan and I can compare the chapter from two years ago to what it is now, so we will paint a picture of the progress that we have made. There are positives and negatives, but what matters overall is progress.

Two years ago, the chapter reached a low of 27 live-in members. The living conditions were fine, the brotherhood was strong; everyone wanted Phi Kappa Psi at UW to improve. Nolan and I agree that we have never felt as close to the Brothers as we did then. We had a great family-like atmosphere. But a chapter can't survive long-term with those numbers — we were struggling financially. Without several consecutive strong pledge classes, Washington Alpha would have quickly descended, eventually shutting down. We have seen this happen to other fraternities.

In 2010, when **Ryu Sikora** and **Brendan Allar** assumed the Rush Chairmen positions, they brought in a quality class of 14, laying the foundation for future success and growth. This past year, Nolan and I recruited 32 new men, which has pushed our membership to 65, a little above the average fraternity size at Washington. The new class has helped re-motivate and re-inspire Washington Alpha as a fraternity. Chapter morale is better than ever. However, we are at risk of hitting a plateau. We have to fix some factors if we are to reach our ultimate goal of being a top chapter on campus, as well as Grand Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi.

**The first step is grades.** We have not met our scholastic objective of a 3.4 chapter GPA, with a 3.12 GPA Fall Quarter. As leaders in the Chapter, we have not done our job to ensure brothers are on track academically. We have taken some steps to improve the situation, including: (1) enforcing social probation for those who did well below the required GPA for the chapter; (2) connecting those who need extra help with older members who have experience in their majors; and (3) strongly enforcing mandatory study hours for those who did not “make grades.” Most important — those with a low GPA must be motivated to *want* to improve their grades.

Studying at college level is a rough transition. Many freshmen are not prepared for their first quarter — they may not know how to study properly or how to discipline themselves. Freshmen can be easily distracted by partying and other temptations that come with living on their own. *This problem is not limited only to freshmen.* In fact, many of our freshmen did exceptionally well, with ten receiving a 3.25 GPA or higher, qualifying for the Wineman Freshman Scholarship Challenge. A few upperclassmen did poorly, mainly a result of slacking off as they come closer to graduation, and experience “senioritis.” Although the chapter did not reach our academic goals in the fall quarter, it was really only a handful of people who brought down the house GPA. Many members earned well above a 3.0 grade point average, and some did better than they had done before, perhaps inspired by the Wineman Challenge. This year, our new Rush Chairmen have made academics the #1 priority in recruiting potential new members. *We have learned from our mistakes, and we will improve.*

Another area of improvement: **House Management.** With the election of our new House Manager, **Baxter Smith**, a lot of physical plant improvements have been made. In the past few weeks alone, holes have been patched; leaks have been stopped; bathroom faucets have been fixed or replaced; windows have been replaced; and the list goes on. The underlying problem is: *he is fighting an uphill battle.* The Chapter House, now 82 years old, is literally deteriorating around us. Baxter is the handiest House Manager in the three years that we have been here, but he can't fix everything. Cosmetic fix-ups are only superficial. *We try to be self-reliant, but many infrastructure problems*

*are beyond our capabilities, and even beyond the resources of the House Corporation. In short, the chapter house needs major renovation; only alumni can solve this.*

Nolan and I have mentioned here where we know the chapter can improve. Now we need to highlight another area that needs improving: **Alumni Support.** Maybe years ago, the chapter could thrive without much alumni involvement. This isn't true anymore — our best chapters nationally, and the best fraternities at Washington have strong alumni support. In the past year, we have had meager alumni involvement. Maybe three or four alumni have visited the chapter for Monday night dinners, and we've had little to no progress with the Mentoring Program. Of course, it's not fair to blame only the alumni for this; if we undergrads want something, we need to know *who* to ask, and ask for it! *So, we are asking!*



Nolan Koza (left) and Sean Peterson

We are trying to take Washington Alpha Chapter to the top, and we need your help. Not just financially, but through active involvement. *Many of you are involved in community organizations; why can't that translate to involvement in the fraternity? If you want to help in the community, start here with the fraternity!* Remember how much you gained from your fraternity experience? Well, it's even more important to us today, despite the age and condition of the House.

**We need a hands-on Alumni Chapter Advisor**, someone willing to check on the House regularly, talk with the officers, and report back to the House Corporation, so that communication can be improved, and problems can be acted upon and corrected quickly.

Come to the House for dinner — the food's great! Stay for chapter if you have time, and meet some of the guys. We are no different than you were at our age! We know that you are busy with your careers and families, but we also know many of you care about this fraternity. **Craig Nishizaki '88** is starting a series of “Career Field” Dinners, where alums from different career backgrounds will be invited to talk to the chapter, in an informal panel discussion. A group of alums at Founders Day volunteered to start the program. If you can participate, send e-mail to [craig@thecoolidea.com](mailto:craig@thecoolidea.com), or **Kyle Sant, Alumni Relations Chair**, at [kylesant@msn.com](mailto:kylesant@msn.com), and one of them will contact you. We promise it won't take much of your time!

*We give a big thank-you to Steve Murphy '63* for all his involvement this year. He has been an active mentor, attending major functions and visiting the House several times for Monday night dinners. He has given talks at the House, and he's been a great resource for career direction and general advice. Despite his busy schedule, he frequently contacts us by e-mail, providing support wherever and whenever he can. Steve truly exemplifies what it means to be *Alumnus of the Year*. *You could be doing the same, just give us a little of your time!*

You've heard this before, year after year: “*We need your help!*” Now, we have something to show for it — we are growing and improving. What we need to boost us to the top is *your support*. This fraternity belongs to all of us — we pledged Phi Kappa Psi for a lifetime, not just four years. We're working to take this chapter forward, and we need your guidance!

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# Welcome, New Brothers!

## Winter and Spring Quarter Initiates

January 8, 2012

1709	Rajan Selvan .....	Clark HS .....	Las Vegas, NV
1710	Lucas Michael Smith .....	Camas HS .....	Camas, WA
1711	Christopher John A. Adan .....	Eastside Catholic HS .....	Sammamish, WA
1712	Baxter Allan Smith .....	Ballard HS .....	Seattle, WA
1713	Riley Patrick Zollars .....	Ellensburg HS .....	Ellensburg, WA
1714	Colin Patrick Kirkmire .....	Capital HS .....	Olympia, WA
1715	Conner Robert Coleman .....	Mt. Spokane HS .....	Spokane, WA
1716	Nicholas Bowman Henderson ...	Capital HS .....	Olympia, WA
1717	Garrison Tyler DePhillips .....	Bellarmino Prep HS .....	Tacoma, WA
1718	Jebraan Irfran Gowani .....	Overlake School .....	Bellevue, WA
1719	Andargachew Tadesse Dessie ....	Aviation HS .....	Des Moines, WA
1720	Saare Russom Tesfay .....	Lynwood HS .....	Lynwood, WA
1721	Dylan Glenn Justus .....	International School .....	Sammamish, WA
1722	Brandon Richard Langeland .....	Union HS .....	Vancouver, WA
1723	Daniel Rafael Colon .....	North Thurston HS .....	Olympia, WA
1724	John Frederick S. Kivimaki .....	Roosevelt HS .....	Seattle, WA
1725	Christopher Wong Caluza .....	Mercer Island HS .....	Mercer Island, WA
1726	Christopher Michael Klaczynski ..	Kamiak HS .....	Mukilteo, WA

March 25, 2012

1727	Trevor Paul Kauf .....	Glacier Peak HS .....	Snohomish, WA
1728	Christopher Michael Brubaker ..	Mansfield HS .....	Mansfield, TX
1729	Thomas Michael Foster .....	Union HS .....	Vancouver, WA
1730	Min-yen Hsieh .....	Ferndale HS .....	Ferndale, WA
1731	Eric Soojong Chin .....	Inglemoore HS .....	Kirkland, WA
1732	Stephen Jin Chung .....	Union HS .....	Vancouver, WA

## Christmas Stockings: A Tradition Now 12 Years Old

Back in Fall 1999, two moms, **Terry Thompson (Jeff '00)** and **Mary Jo Kenner (Will '00)** were trying to think of a project for the Parents Group. They wanted to do something that many parents could participate in, and make Christmas special at the Chapter House. Their solution: *the Christmas stockings*.

The purple, gold, and white stockings are all hand-made, each with the name of an undergraduate on it. Parents donate candy and other goodies, plus handy items that each member can use, and look forward to getting. The amount of things donated has become so great, that an equally big purple or white bag under each stocking holds the overflow. The parents — some alums, too — have fun stuffing the stockings. The end result: the staircase from top to bottom with Christmas decorations and stockings — a beautiful sight!

The event is held Saturday at the end of Fall Quarter, before the chapter Christmas party, with Christmas music, and a great buffet spread prepared by chef Brenda Lee.

**Thanks, parents! Thanks, Brenda!**  
(She gets a stocking, too.)

## Alphan Postscripts Feedback from alums, parents, undergrads, and others . . .

### From Steve Murphy '63:

"The undergraduates that I'm currently mentoring are **Jorge Corona**, a freshman trying to decide his major; **Mike Acode**, sophomore, also undecided on his major but just had a valuable aptitude test; and **Mike Nguyen**, a senior in Economics (my major). My goal is to encourage them to think 'broadly,' and consider International Business as a career field."

**Note:** Steve is on the Advisory Board of AIESEC, which provides a platform and opportunities for youth leadership development through internships world-wide. Undergraduates interested in finding out about AIESEC internships, contact him at [semurphy@pnwa.com](mailto:semurphy@pnwa.com) and go to [www.aiesec.org](http://www.aiesec.org).

### From Daryn Klinginsmith '86:

"This Cabo Retreat this September works well for me, and I may be up for it again this year. I've been watching the Chapter from afar, and it gets my hopes up with what I read in *The Alphan*, and hear from other alums. This enthusiastic pledge class with its uplifting momentum, will be just what the chapter needs."

### From Kathy Peterson (Sean '10), President of Parent's Group:

The Parent's Brunch last fall was terrific — with over 100 people; Brenda's food was wonderful, as usual! The new (pledge class) parents are great, very engaged and wanting to be a part of their sons' college and fraternity experience. **Craig Nishizaki '88** and **Matt Anglin '90** provided a lot of information on the opportunities (scholarships, mentoring, Cabo Retreat, etc.), with a follow-up email to all from Craig. I received many thank-you e-mails conveying how much they enjoyed the brunch. I talked with many of the parents about the Cabo experience (ALA and retreat). I think some of them are interested in the September Chapter Retreat."

### From Tim Hauser '00:

"I'm on active reserve duty with the Air Force now, and I plan on riding out the remainder of my 20 years doing work for the Air Force Academy. The '11 pledge class is great news. **John Lapsansky ('00)** and I talk regularly, and he has switched careers — he's now a firefighter. I communicated recently with **Bob, Nan, and Jocelyn Streich (Brent's '00 parents)**. They were invited to our wedding but had to pass — their home in Spokane is a long way from Napa."



### From Wayne Browne '55:

The Christmas stockings event had a great crowd, good parent representation, lots of stuffers, stockings overflowing into matching bags below each stocking.

**Brenda Lee** (chapter chef) was at her best. Overall a very positive feel, the kids looked good, best parent turnout that I've seen. Mothers are looking at the front room furniture — the support straps on the couches need replacing, and one of the mothers knows someone who can do that."



For more news  
and more *Alphan Postscripts*,  
turn the page!

## 10th Annual Washington Alpha Chapter Retreat

**Cabo San Lucas, Mexico  
September 9 – 14, 2012**

**“Alumni, Undergraduates & Parents —  
Come Together for Learning, Bonding,  
Sharing, and Fun in the Sun!”**

You're all invited to another inspirational, fun Chapter Retreat in Cabo! Alums, this is your chance to renew ties to the Chapter, meet new undergraduates and their parents, and become a part of the “vertical fraternity.”

### **The More Alumni and Parents Attend, the Better the Experience!**

You've all read comments about the retreats in previous issues of *The Alphan*. *They're all true!* The chapter retreat is a wonderful week. All who attend — alums, parents, spouses, undergraduates, and pledges — gain from this experience. One interesting aspect: The “old folks” learn as much or more than the undergraduates!

### **How the Retreat Is Organized**

Alums and parents have their own rooms (with bath) in the Marbella Suites Hotel or the beautiful Nelson Estate, a walled, private, resort-like compound with individual houses, both right on the beach facing the Sea of Cortez. Both are less than a block apart. Most meals and all the seminar sessions, taught by leading alumni, will be held at the hotel. Some of the social events will be held at the Nelson Estate, or at restaurants in Cabo. And we promise a mid-week nighttime beach bonfire

Sunday, September 9, is the arrival day, reserved for getting settled and acquainted. Monday through Thursday, after breakfast at the hotel, we come together for seminar sessions from about 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. After lunch, the rest of the day and night are free to do whatever you want — shop, play tourist, golf, fish, socialize, or just relax by the pool. Friday, September 14, is the travel day home for most attendees (in time to get home for Saturday UW football!).

### **Interested? Ask for More Information:**

Stan Kohagen — Alumni  
Stanko206@aol.com

Kathy Peterson — Parents Group  
kpete06@comcast.net

*We can answer your questions and send you an information sheet!*



## Washington Alpha Attends the ALA



### **The Group at the ALA**

**Front row:** Lucas Smith, alum Craig Nishizaki, and Baxter Smith.

**Middle row:** Nick Henderson, Trevor Kauf, Jorge Corona, alum Paul Wineman, Kyle Sant, Daniel Hsieh, Daniel Colon, Riley Zollars, Chris Brubaker, Garrison DePhillips, and Eric Chin.

**Back row:** Saare Tesfay, Kelsey Leek, Michael Lauritzen, Collin Kirkmire, Hunter Cowan, and Michael Acode. **Not pictured:** alum Steve Murphy.



**Michael Acode, Baxter Smith, and Michael Lauritzen were in the group of 70 Phi Psis who volunteered mid-week at a Cabo daycare center. Sean Peterson, President of the Chapter, summed up the experience: “It’s always great to see the energy that comes from attending the ALA!”**

### **Alphan Postscripts:**

#### **From Erik Luetkehans '10 to Paul Wineman '55:**

“Yesterday I was using your Negotiating Skills techniques in a local market here in Berlin. It reminded me of your lecture at the ALA and all the help you have given us at Washington Alpha. I've been traveling throughout Europe for the past two months, organizing and speaking at AIESEC recruitment events. I'm implementing skills taught at the ALA and National fraternity, like using business cards, written thank-you notes, some of the recruitment tactics, even a mentoring system.” (*Erik is a sophomore majoring in German/Russian languages, working in an AIESEC internship in Berlin.*)

#### **From Mark Crisler '80:**

“I'll be happy to participate again in the (September) Cabo Retreat, and do the ‘Entrepreneurship’ presentation. So far the dates (September 9 – 14) look good.”

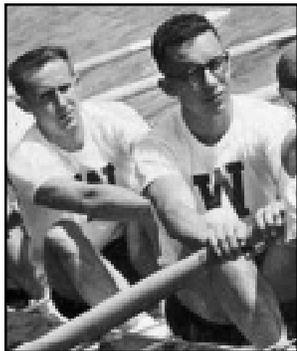
After Spring Break, 18 undergraduates returned from weeklong sessions at the American Leadership Academy in Cabo San Lucas. The Washington Alpha group was one of the largest chapter groups attending March 21-24. (More than 600 undergraduates from National chapters attend during their school spring breaks.) Four chapter alumni were instructors: **Paul Wineman '55, Craig Nishizaki '88, and Steve Murphy '63. Ed Jensen '56** also made a presentation at an earlier ALA session. Among the subjects presented: *Winners & Losers; Getting the Job; Excellence; Negotiating Skills; Core Values; Chapter Values; Recruitment; Leadership; Winning; and Habits of Success.*

As **Saare Tesfay** commented: “*Habits, habits, habits — I learned I have to establish the right habits early to achieve success. The speakers were all incredibly inspirational.*”

“*These were subjects I'll never learn in college. I feel now that I've been given the basics to become a dedicated brother, successful man, and future husband,*” added **Riley Zollars.**

## Remembering . . . .

### Guy Harper '51 Shares Memories of the 1950s Online



Guy Harper (foreground) on Varsity Crew in the 1950s

You might have read about Guy Harper's UW Varsity Crew days in the last *Alphan*; however, there's much more. Guy is an unusual guy — pun intended.

While most of us saved a few pictures from our college days, Guy saved *everything* — all in well organized scrapbooks. Pictures and clippings of fraternity brothers, chapter dances and events, the Phi Psis' representation in the Seattle Seafair Guard, his UW Varsity Crew days, the Three Tree Point history (at least 11 Phi Psis were from there), local pleasure boating, Boy Scout fund-raising, and his interest in Pacific Northwest Native carving.

His crew memorabilia is so well organized that it became the basis for much of the History of '50s UW Crew, on the *100-Year History* website:

<http://www.huskycrew.com/1950.htm>.

During his rowing years, he was a member of one of the first Varsity Crews to move into the newly completed Conibear Shell House. These were the years when the '50s legends of UW crews were still active: Varsity Coach Al Ulbrickson, George Pocock, builder of premium cedar racing shells, and his son, Frosh Crew Coach Stan Pocock. De-

spite having moved out of the fraternity house and into the new shell house as a member of UW Varsity Boat Club, Guy continued to stay active in the Chapter, attend the social events, and help during Fall Rush. He also has and still plays the original baritone ukulele from those early summer barbecue and water-ski rushing parties held at **Tom Ables'** ('46) Three Tree Point waterfront home.

Retired from a 35-year career selling industrial aluminum to manufacturers such as Boeing, Pac Car, and Kenworth, and now nearing age 80, Guy is a man of many interests. He is one of the founders of the Three Tree Point Yacht Club, the founding Commodore of the Ancient Mariners Rowing Club, a restorer of Pocock cedar racing shells, a ski instructor for 17 years, and one of the co-writers of the Arcadia book publication *Images of America*. . . *Three Tree Point*.

For 30 years, Guy has been carving useful and artistic items in the style of Pacific Northwest Native American artifacts: dance masks, feast bowls, steam-bent cedar boxes, Chief benches, native rattles, and ceremonial paddles, and more. See [www.guyharper.com](http://www.guyharper.com). His latest dance mask is the Hokhokw . . . measuring over 6 feet long! Guy has also carved the basic welcoming signs using the Native design style for the outstations of the Seattle Yacht Club in Washington and Canada.

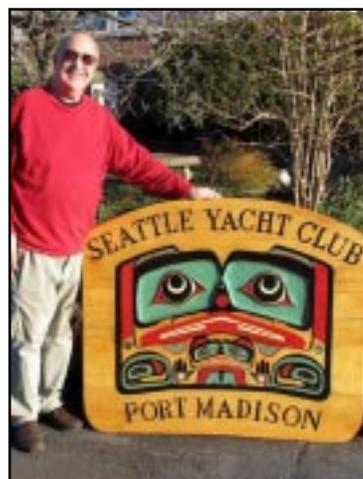
#### A Web Site of Memories

Reviewing all his memorabilia, Guy decided, "*It would sure be fun to share this information with Phi Psis of all ages!*" So he has compiled most of his '50s history into this website:

<http://www.beam.to/guyharper>

He added: "*This is a 'work-in-progress' — it moves slowly when so much research and memory are involved — particularly the memory!*"

Guy's work on the website sparked another idea: To bring together many of the WA Alpha Phi Psis from the 1950s this coming summer for a **1950s Era Lunch on Saturday, June 16, at the Seattle Yacht Club at 12:00 noon**. All the brothers from his pledge class and others from those wonderful years in Washington Alpha are invited. Contact Guy at [guyharper@comcast.net](mailto:guyharper@comcast.net) or **206-242-4144**, if you would like to attend the luncheon on June 16. A big THANKS to Guy for all his work creating the website and organizing the '50s lunch!



Guy Harper with SYC outstation sign he carved.

#### Alphan Postscript:



From Guy Harper '51:

"Here's a photo of the Western Red Cedar native chief's bench that I carved and gave to the Seattle Yacht Club a few years ago. That's 23-carat gold showing around the sun face. The SYC is a great club. **Dave Williams '53** and I joined in 1953, thanks to **Tom Ables.**"

About the '50s Era Lunch: "Some brothers have already committed to attend. It was great to hear from **Bob Fetty '50**. It's been over 50 years for many of these brothers, and everyone is anxious to get together!"

# 1950s Era Lunch

Saturday, June 16, 12:00  
Seattle Yacht Club

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Hope you can make it!

## Alphan Postscripts Feedback from alums, parents, undergrads, and others. . .

### From Bob Edgers '49:

"Boy, it's a powerful reminder to guys my age, when I read the *Chapter Eternal* in the last *Alphan*. **Ernie Ingram '47, John Flower '43, Ted Millette '47, Paul Haggard '47, Glenn Wiprud '51, Lance Puckett '52, and Bob Gallagher '47** were all brothers in the House in my time. John Flower had graduated when I joined, but he had visited our summer home on Fox Island with other brothers — all of them invited by my older brother, **Bart Edgers '47**. John, who would become a university president (Cleveland State) and so many other significant achievements, was a great pianist. At Fox Island, he wanted to keep up his practicing, and the other fraternity brothers would nearly push him off the piano stool so they could gather around the player piano to laugh and sing. He was a great guy!"

### From Frank Nolan '43:

"**Ernie Ingram's** obituary appeared in the last *Alphan*. It's a little known fact that his father, **Robert M. Ingram**, was also a Phi Psi and prominent athlete, class of 1920. The *Seattle Times* recently had a special editorial section commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the University of Washington. Among the historical facts listed:

**1922:** 'The UW Athletics teams changed their name from 'Sun Dodgers' to the 'Huskies.' The announcement was made at a basketball game half-time by **football captain Robert Ingram.**'

"I used to have lunch about once a week with **Bart Edgers**. The College Club had a round table holding about eight, a holdover from the original Club taken out by the freeway. Bart, a successful stock broker, was one of the group. After his untimely, tragic death, we all tramped down to Plymouth Congregational for Bart's funeral. It was a long time before the round table seemed normal again. He was such a sweet guy.

"**Bill Ryberg '48** was initiated after WWII when he returned to the UW. We had been classmates at Broadway High School (now Seattle Central Community College), and served together on our 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion Committee. About one-third of our class were Nisei (second generation) Japanese. They disappeared about three weeks before our graduation in '42 because of the government-ordered internment (of all Japanese on the West Coast). Several Seattle School Board members and some of their teachers went down to the Puyallup Fairgrounds where they were housed temporarily, and held a commencement ceremony. It was a very nice gesture, and one probably not popular with the Army.

"In retirement, Bill volunteer-tutored at Blaine Elementary for years, and took it very seriously. Because so many of our high school friends had been Japanese, he invited several sets of Japanese National parents (of his students) to our reunion where they heard the story of the internment, some for the first time. Bill was one of the most decent men that I have ever known."



### From Bob Chamberlain '60 to Pledge Brother Bob Hawkins:

"I remember your kidnaping visit to Arizona Beta. As well as our cross-country jaunt in the summer of '60 to the GAC in Chicago, seeing '*Psycho*' in Minneapolis, driving to NYC, visiting DC, seeing your relatives in Roanoke, VA, and hitting the deer in Spotted Horse, WY. For me, it was a '*coming of age*' trip, and an important milestone to adulthood."

**Kidnap victim Bob Hawkins, as he appeared in a *Seattle Times* photo and article in 1962. Bob had been the trainer for the pledge class. Some of the class got the bright idea: "Why don't we kidnap Hawkins? Let's send him to Phoenix and his classmates Chamberlain and Bob Clampett at ASU!" (Clipping courtesy of Rich Wiley '62)**



**Restaurant and pool at the Marbella Suites Hotel.**

### From Jerry Nelson '48 (about travel to Cabo San Lucas):

"The only place that I can recommend that's REALLY "safe" is Heaven. We've had thousands of undergraduates and alums here for the ALA. I have not heard one word of an American — tourist or retiree — living here who has been harmed. We have a number of billionaires with homes including Michael Dell. Several hundred Americans who stay here are in the \$100 to \$800 million dollar asset range — they're not going to come if they thought they were in danger. NO, I'm not worried — my sons and grandchildren come to Cabo — they're safer here than in California or Arizona."

# 1950s Era Lunch

## Seattle Yacht Club Saturday, June 16

Contact Guy Harper:

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## Chapter Eternal

**James B. Slayden, '43-416**, a longtime resident of Rancho Palos Verdes, California, died December 22, 2011, in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Shortly before he passed away, Jim sent a "Dawg Talk" note to the alumni office with a contribution for the *Alphan*. "Great issue!" he wrote. He also named several brothers whose passing he had learned of through the *Alphan*: **John Flower '43**, **Ernie Ingram '47**, **Ted Millette, Jr., '47**, **Robert Gallagher '47**, **Gilbert Olson '41**, **Norman Smyth '43**, and **Chuck Gilmur '40**. Born in Tacoma in 1924, Jim was the son of Barbara M. and **Philip L. Slayden, WA '15**. Jim was initiated into Phi Psi in 1943, but like almost all of the brothers then, he left his college education to join military service. He served in the U.S. Army, including the Normandy invasion, and Ardennes Offensive (The Battle of the Bulge), in the winter of 1944-'45. He returned to the University of Washington in late 1945, and continued to serve in the Army Reserve. He later earned an MBA at USC. The fraternity house was closed during WWII, and it was leased out to pay the overhead. Pledge brother **Frank Nolan '43** explains: "When the brothers started returning from the War, we got the House back in '46. Jim was appointed House Manager, a tough assignment, and he held the job for two years. He had to establish relationships with suppliers and food vendors, start a bank account, juggle finances and accounting, buy furnishings, hire a cook, and dozens of other responsibilities. He and President **Dick Anderson ['42]** were credited with resurrecting the Chapter." Jim spent his entire career as an executive in retailing, first as a buyer and divisional manager at Frederick & Nelson, Seattle; store manager of Bullock's, Los Angeles; Executive VP, May D&F, Denver; President of Robinson's, Los Angeles; and Executive VP of Marshall Field, Chicago. He also served on the board of directors of Cutter & Buck Apparel, and many community service organizations. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; daughter, Tracy A. England; son, James B. Slayden Jr.; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Nancy S. Carver and Carol A. Compton.



**Bill Ryberg with John, one of his favorite students.**

Seattle. The students and their families became Bill's close friends. As he once recalled, "It was a thrill to hear a little kid like John (pictured here with Bill) exclaim 'I can read, I can read' for the first time!" Bill was born in Seattle. He attended the University of Washington for one year and pledged the fraternity, but joined the U.S. Navy at the outset of WWII. He served in the Pacific Theatre aboard the USS Salamaua. After the war, he continued his college education and was initiated into Phi Psi in 1948. He served in the Naval Reserve and retired as a Commander. Bill had many other interests. He and his wife, Catherine, enjoyed traveling. He read many books about World War II history. During his college years, Bill had played timpani with the University Orchestra, and throughout his life, he loved classical music and opera, which he shared with his family. He participated in and hosted reunions of his Navy ship crew, and enjoyed speaking to younger generations at Veteran's Day events about his service experience and the privilege of serving his country. Bill is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Catherine, daughter Nancy Dickerson (Robert), son David

**William J. Ryberg, '48-517**, of Seattle, died December 19, 2011. After a 40-year career in personnel management with National Bank of Commerce, Rainier Bank, and Security Pacific, Bill retired in 1987, and found a second calling: volunteer tutoring of children in English at Blaine Elementary in Magnolia. Many of these children were from the Pacific Rim countries, with families who were temporarily working in

Ryberg (Joan), and son William Ryberg, Jr. (Evelyn), and four grandchildren. Upon his death, Blaine Elementary School posted a sign outside the school in tribute, "Rest in Peace Volunteer Bill Ryberg, 1924-2011."

**Gerald I. Barker, '56-675**, died in his Troutdale, Oregon, home on January 8, 2012. He was 74. He grew up in Klamath Falls, Oregon, and graduated from Klamath Falls High School. As a student at UW, Gerry was the drum major in the University marching band. He graduated with a degree in pharmacy and served in the Army Medical Reserve Unit at Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas, working in a hospital pharmacy. He later returned to Oregon, and was co-owner of Sandy Rexall Drug and Hoodland Park Pharmacy for over 20 years. When Sandy Rexall Drug was sold to Safeway in 1986, Gerry managed the pharmacy there until he retired in 2000. He married his wife, Donna, in 1993. His interest in music continued throughout his life — he was a member of the Jazz Society of Oregon and enjoyed attending jazz concerts, as well as Portland Trail Blazer and Seattle Sonic basketball games. Gerry leaves behind his wife, Donna; his two sons, Evan and Dean; Donna's son, Sean; and seven grandchildren.



**Stanley D. May, '56-696**, passed away on October 24, 2011, after a long struggle with leukemia. At Highline High School, he was an all-city linebacker but the chance of continuing at collegiate level was cut short when he suffered a neck fracture against Seattle Prep. After initiation into Phi Psi in 1956 while attending the University of Washington, he left to attend Central Washington University, graduating with a degree in Economics. Stan went on to become a successful insurance broker. **Ken May '59**, Stan's younger brother, commented, "Stan often talked about the fraternity with great admiration." He married Judith McLane in 1964, and they had four children: Jean, Jeffrey, Gregory, and Michelle. Stan was active in AA for 35 years and was known by many as "coach" for his many years of mentoring others. Stan moved to Alaska and, after many years of being single, met Irene Green, a native of Holland, and began a loving relationship that resulted in marriage in 1991. By marrying Irene, he expanded his family, adding Irene's sons — Justin, Niels, and Bart. With their children grown, Stan and Irene moved to a warmer climate — Arizona — where they met many friends, were avid golfers, and loved traveling. Whether in Arizona, California, Seattle, or Alaska, family gatherings were always a highlight of Stan's life. He is survived by his wife, Irene; children, Jean, Jeff, Greg, and Michelle; step-sons, Justin, Niels, and Bart; his brother, **Ken May '59**; sister, Barbara; and three grandchildren.



**William J. Doell, '58-716**, of Seattle, died from a brain tumor on January 6, 2012. Bill was President of the chapter in his senior year at UW, and he earned a degree in Business Administration. He worked for Frederick & Nelson for 32 years (**Jim Slayden '43** gave him his start by helping him enroll in the *F&N Executive Training Program*), and became a buyer during the retail chain's golden years. After leaving F&N, Bill maintained contact with fellow employees for over 30 years. He also enjoyed a successful 10-year career as a real estate broker for John L. Scott. Upon retirement, Bill dedicated himself to community service: past Grand Master of Masonic Lodge 141; active in Scottish Rite, Nile Shrine; University District Chamber of Commerce — Cal McCune Community Service Award. Bill collected 4,000 pairs of socks last year for distribution to the homeless. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn; brother, Robert Doell; sister, Maribeth Berberich, brother-in-law Ray Myrtle; and nieces and nephews.

## Dawg Talk

**Gordon D. Collins, '43-414**, reports that he and his wife, Louise, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Also, he writes, "I got an aortic valve from a cow. (My human valve wore out.) Bossie's valve is working fine." Gordon enjoys playing golf and is a member of the Elfun Society and the Society of French Engineers. He is the father of four: Dan (63), Rick (62), Christine (61), and Gordon, Jr. (46). Contact Gordon at colrec@gte.net, 650-941-0267, or PO Box 934, Los Altos, CA 94023.

**Kenneth D. Graham, Jr., '49-535**, sent a note and a newspaper clipping about **Don Williams ['47-508]**, who passed away in 2003, and his wife, Mary, who died in 2010. The couple left a generous bequest to The Greater Tacoma Community Foundation. Don had worked with the foundation, from its inception, as an investment adviser. He was a broker with Morgan Stanley. He also served on the foundation's board of directors. The Williams also left \$5,000 to Washington Alpha Chapter and \$10,000 to the Phi Kappa Psi National Fraternity. Ken Graham can be contacted at 3301 N. Shirley St., Tacoma, WA 98407, or kengraham@q.com.

**Robert D. Pollock, '57-701**, reported the passing of **Stanley D. May ['56-696]**, who died in Phoenix, Arizona, in November 2011 (see "Chapter Eternal" on page 9). "And what of the 'yet untold stories and mysteries' of those of us who are Toad Hall Annex alumni?" Robert receives mail at PO Box 4254, Ketchum, ID 83340.

**Clinton C. Viebrock, '57-709**, retired as a captain with Northwest Airlines after a 33-year career. He has been an instructor for 13 years with the Telluride (CO) Adaptive Sports Program, skiing with children and adults with disabilities of all varieties. Clint and his wife, Susan (Sarah Lawrence), started an online magazine covering Telluride people and events. "We revamped the site last December and have dramatically increased our readership. After 3 1/2 years, we will soon be paying ourselves a pittance. Check us out on [www.tellurideinside.com](http://www.tellurideinside.com)." Contact Clint at 63-B Pilot Knob Lane, Telluride, CO 81435; viebocc@mac.com; or 970-728-3707.

**John G. Crawford, Jr., '62-800**, is an attorney arbitrator and mediator. He and his wife, Judy Stahancyk (Linfield College), receive mail at PO Box 817, Portland, OR 97207. They have a son, Seth (33), and a daughter, Kate (30). Call John at 503-227-2261 or send e-mail to john@businessdisputearbitration.com.

**Stephen E. Murphy, '63-832**, writes, "We are proposing a new "International Service" scholarship for Washington Alpha, to encourage Phi Psis to go abroad and do service to people around the world." Steve was named Alumnus of the Year at Founders Day in February 2012. (See article on page 1.) He is a senior advisor with Pacific NW Advisors. Stephen and his wife, Vicki (KKI-Univ. of Iowa), receive mail at PO Box 15155, Seattle, WA 98115. Call Steve at 202-255-9479 or send e-mail to S\_E\_Murphy@hotmail.com.

## 2011 Honor Roll of Contributors

*Many thanks* to the 105 Washington Alpha brothers and friends listed below, whose generous 2011 contributions totaled \$7,275 for the year! Thanks also to **Gordon D. Collins, '43-414**, **Corey McMillan, '55-659**, **Thomas M. Treece, '57-704**, and **Clinton C. Viebrock, '57-709**, who launched the new 2012 program year with their donations. *The Alphan* is totally supported by your contributions, and your participation in the alumni communications program is much appreciated.

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