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About four years ago, a small and unassuming volume made its appearance within the halls of Upsilon. It aroused interest within the Chapter. It awakened and bound even more tightly the bonds between active members and alumni. It quickened the life blood of the fraternity, and brought still closer the men of Sigma Pi. It began a dream of a greater fraternity at Westwood, and today, when its footprints are nearly lost in the sands of time, its effect is still felt... it was a Pioneer.

Since that time, other volumes have made their bow, each one finer and more pretentious than the last, and each one a Pioneer, bringing with it its measurement of accomplishment. If this volume can, with pride, take its place by the side of its predecessors, then we may consider that it has achieved its goal.

To one who has served his fraternity faithfully and well, to one who exemplifies the spirit of fraternalism which is the heritage of Sigma Pi, this book is respectfully dedicated.

-- Forward and dedication,
Upsilon Pioneer, June 1928

New email system - MailChimp

Check your Gmail, Yahoo and Hotmail spam/junk mail boxes for UAA e-mails. Those providers route our new MailChimp emails to your spam boxes, so please mark them as "safe," so they route to your Inboxes.



Adytum on High: Adm. James Seely, U.S. Navy

One of Sigma Pi's most distinguished alumni, U.S. Navy Rear Admiral James Seely, passed to the Adytum on High on Jun. 3 in Virginia.

Seely (Y #477) was one of Upsilon's finest, and national fraternity's bestowed its highest honor, the Founders Award, in 1998 after a 35-year career in the military that included air combat during the Vietnam War and commanding the Whidbey Island Navy Base in Washington.

A true Bruin to the end, Seely was married for 57 years to his college sweetheart whom he met at Alpha Delta Pi sorority, the former Miss Gail Deverman (who sadly died in 2015). The two met when brother Buddy Bryson diverted Seely from a late-night study session and directed him to Dude's, a Westwood bar. On the way, Seely invited Gail to join them on the even later-night mission. (He still passed the test the next day).

On campus, Seely teamed with powerful brothers Rudy Feldman, Bob Jones, Nick Zorotovich and Warner Benjamin during the 1954 Greek Week chariot race on the I.M. Field. He also played on the Upsilon intramural football team, which tied in the all-U final, 0-0 (but lost on 1st downs). When Ralph Rea was invited to Seely's changing of command ceremony at the base in Washington decades later, he noted that Seely's car still had a UCLA license plate frame far from campus.

Brother Doug Keppler remained friends with Seely over the decades, and the two spoke by phone last year after not seeing each other for many decades. "It was like yesterday," Keppler said. "It's amazing the kind of career he had, and it all started with all of us together at Sigma Pi."

Brother Ralph Rea and Seely attended Newport Harbor H.S. and grew up together "surfing and having a ball" in the Balboa Island area. Seely worked as a lifeguard and drove a beer truck in his early days. The two matriculated to UCLA and Sigma Pi, and Seely eventually served as a groomsman at Rea's wedding. In 1962, Rea was working for IBM in Tokyo, and Seely's ship sailed into Yokohama, so the two brothers reunited on the other side of the world.

Seely was promoted to Admiral, one of the few who did not attend the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. His military career included command of an A-6 squadron, Carrier Air Wing NINE, and Medium Attack Tactical Electronic Warfare Wing in the Pacific Fleet.

Seely's last assignment was Deputy/ Acting Comptroller of the Navy, Seely (continued on P. 2) →



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Upsilon Alumni

Assn.: 2017

Annual Meeting

Executive Director Pablo Rivas chaired the annual meeting on Feb. 25 at 5:00 pm at 612 Landfair Ave. in Los Angeles.

All actions of the past year were ratified by the members, and officers were elected: Executive Director Pablo Rivas, President Jay Ross, Treasurer Scott Scheffler, Jake Loughridge and Brad Sharp.

Housing Board

Please consider a tax-deductible donation of \$100, so we can begin house renovations in 2017, include new couches, dining room chairs, and renovation to the dungeon library.

Donations are for the exclusive benefit or our chapter. Our goal is \$1,000 from each alumni brother by 2018, so please start now).

▲ Issue checks to "Sigma Pi Educational Foundation - Upsilon" and mail to:

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Specify that the donation is for the UCLA (Upsilon-Marsalek) Chapter in the "Campaign" field and notify David Finkel at DavidFinkel@Juno.com

Seely (continued): in which he was responsible for \$100 billion of the Navy's budget.

As a pilot from 1955 to 1975, Seely flew more than 5,000 hours and had 1,000 carrier landings in nine deployments without a crash or incident. His squadrons were assigned to the USS Bon Homme Richard (Fred Thornley also served on the ship during WWII, and was in Tokyo Harbor for the surrender of Japan in 1945), USS Shangri-La, USS Hancock, USS Enterprise, and USS Constellation.

Seely's awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, and Navy Commendation Medal "V".

He flew 447 combat missions in Vietnam in FJ-4B, A-4, A-6, A-7, F-4, EA-6B warplanes. He also was selected to fly the FA-18 before it became operational.

Seely flew sorties from aircraft carriers in the Gulf of Tonkin, and included action against Ho Chi Minh trail routes and in the Mekong Delta; counterattacks during the Tet Offensive; railroad, port, transportation, communication and industrial targets in North Vietnam; and support of the re-supply during the Khe Sanh siege.

1967 was the most intense and dangerous year with pilots trying to outsmart SAM anti-aircraft guns and numerous aerial dogfights with North Vietnamese MiG fighter aircraft, as part of Rolling Thunder. In 1972, Seely avoided 4 missiles on one flight, and a strike group (which included part of Seely's carrier-based crew) shot down 7 MiGs in one day during a raid on Haiphong and Hanoi, which may be a record for carrier-based pilots. Seely considered U.S. bombing raids like this effective in bringing the North Vietnamese to begin negotiations to end the war.

Seely also was inducted into the Newport Harbor H.S. Hall of Fame in 2014.

When Seely was honored at Convocation with his Founders Award in 1998, two of his pledge brothers Bob Jones and Past Sage Capt. George Peterson (a Korean War veteran) attended. Seely said, "I have been stationed around the world and received plenty of military honors. The friendships that I began at Sigma Pi have lasted forever for me, and have remained as strong as ever, even though we have been far apart. This Founders Award means as much to me as any medal that I have received."

▲ Seely is survived by his son Ted, who can be reached at TSeely5@Gmail.com and daughter Nina.



Rear Admiral James M. Seely, U.S. Navy - Y (Class of 1955):
447 combat missions (A-4, A-6) - Vietnam War. Distinguished Flying Cross, Legion of Merit, Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star, Air Medal

Sigma Pi World Series

CHINO HILLS - The Upsilon Big Ballers thumped USC but then lost to steroid-infused Long Beach and Fullerton at the Sigma Pi Western World Series in May.

Manager and DH Dan Romero generous sponsored the team.

The bruising Bruin line-up included Rex Ray Roberts, Nick North, Josh Levy, Matt Sambol, Marc Goldberg, Drew Fischer, Drew Mercado, The Ed Kwak, Chapter Advisor Josh Trifunovic, Abel Somilleda and Kevin Rodriguez.

Scott Scheffler was bench coach.





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Remembrance: Dorann Bunkin



Upsilon lost a wonderful Little Sister on May 23, the delightful and brilliant former Miss Dorann Bunkin.

Dorann was Dr. Chris Koutures' Little Sister and a friend to many brothers, including Herman Quispe and Jay Ross. She died from complications of breast cancer in May 2017 at the young age of 48, leaving behind her parents, husband and four children.

At UCLA, Dorann worked for the Office of Student Life, and she was very involved on campus as a Bruin Belle. She was a huge Bruins fan, and befriended athletes like hoops star Trevor Wilson, and attended almost every basketball game.

Dorann knew Brothers Koutures and Ross from their work in the Daily Bruin sports section. She attended many Sigma Pi events, and helped rush brothers like Gary Gross to the fraternity. (Sadly, Brother Gross passed to the Adytum on High at an age too young

Dorann (con't P. 4) →

94th Founders Day

WESTWOOD - Sgt. Andy Capps was honored at Upsilon's 94th Founders Day on Feb. 25 for his heroic actions in neutralizing the San Bernardino terrorists while on duty with the Redlands Police Dept. in 2015.

UAA Treasurer Scott Scheffler, who moonlights as a UCPD officer, presented donation check to the National Law Enforcement Foundation in Sgt. Capps' name. A photo of Sgt. Capps with President Obama will hang in the Sigma Pi Hall of Honor in the Dungeon library, to serve as a reminder of serving God and Man as part of our Creed.

Capps recalled that at Sigma Pi, he learned lessons on leadership, commitment to the team and attention to detail.

A large group of 85 spirited alumni attended, cavorting late into the night with Pablo's Cubano cigars aplenty in the backyard.

The youngest alumni to attend were Jonathan Dolgin (UCLA Law School), Peirce Thue, and Blake Nowricki, who all just graduated this past June.

The oldest attendee was Bob Kerrebrock, who returned to the fraternity house for the first time in 60 years and received his Emerald Cross for 60 years of service to the brotherhood. He finally docked his ship in San Diego harbor after living on his yacht and sailing the world for some decades.

John Burghardt, from the Class of 1962, was honored with his Gold Cross for 50 years of brotherhood.

▲ Brothers from the Fall 1990 Nordic Seamen pledge class attended and received their Silver Crosses: Past Sage Won Park, Esq., Past Sage Stu Johnson, Esq., Scott Good, Esq., Ruben Preciado, and Steve Clarence, Esq. Their Pledge Father Rob Ward journeyed up from San Diego, after coaching his tall son and UCLA recruit Ben to another basketball victory (but did not spend the night in his car). Jason Won (Y1990) and Michael Shires (Y1986) also received Silver Crosses.



Brothers from the Spring 1991 Beanstalkers pledge class attended: Malcolm Gibson (L.A. County Sheriffs Dept.), Dean Steve Yu (UCLA law school), Tom Giffin (who journeyed from San Jose for the first time in 10 years and included a UCLA campus visit with his smart daughters), and Art Ramos (a Dept. of Homeland Security officer who returned after several years).

Law enforcement was a common theme. Ensign Joey Deaven, a 2012 alumnus, enlisted in the U.S. Navy and is stationed in Fallon, Nev.

Photo: Adam Treiger, Mike Alvarez, Sgt. Andy Capps, Rob Ward, Sean Bloch, Rich Wiederkehr, Past Sage Sean Topp, Past Sage Won Park, Past Sage Stu Johnson.

▲ A record 13 scholarships were awarded, according to UAA Scholarship Chair Evan Hou:

Upsilon Perpetual Scholarship: 1st Place (presented in honor of Joseph Marsalek) - David Melara, Campbell Yamane, Aaron Gurley (photo - next page).



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Dorann (con't): during a lifetime of public service.)

After graduation from the Communications Studies program UCLA, Dorann attended Yale Univ. law school, which accepts the smartest of the smart. She married, was raising four children and worked in Washington, D.C.

Dorann worked as a communications/ media attorney in private practice, and then joined the Federal Communication Commission in 2004. She advised a task force on the incentive auction process, and represented its Media Bureau on inter-bureau teams developing incentive auction policy.

Putting her UCLA degree to work, she assisted with the outreach to broadcasters and led informational meetings with broadcasters, investors and outside counsel. Her team developed initial television station valuations and opening price methodology.

Dorann was dedicated to her family, her faith, and her friends. Dorann was a doer-no matter the hour of the day or with the smallest of needs, she was by your side in times of good and bad, sharing smiles, and always having the right words of support.

Many of us can confidently say that our lives are richer for the privilege of knowing Dorann. May your memory be eternal, Dear Sister.

- By Dr. Chris Kourtues



2nd Place (presented in honor of Ray Carlisle and Carl Moroney) - Garo Kaprelian, Andre Tsivis, and Louis Benites.

Garni Arakelian Award (courtesy of the UCLA Foundation, presented by Garni's sister Astineh and her daughter Alex and Garni's friend Rojen Gharagedaghi): Nico Shary (photo - top right).

Julian D'Avanzo Award (Mr. Sigma Pi, presented by Julian's friend Sebastian Perkinson): Ateeth Kosuri.

William Meyer Award (Most Outstanding Brother, presented by Past Sage David Finkel): Sage Bennet Ladyman.

Gary Gross Community/Campus Service Award (presented by Gary's friend Adam Treiger): Garo Kaprelian.

Tim Howell / Robert Webster Academic Award (presented by Emerald Society donor Tim Howell): Garo Kaprelian.

Pledge Scholarships: Blake Williams (Spring), Renc Saracaydin (Fall).

▲ Many thanks are in order to 1st Counselor Campbell Yamane and alumni brothers who organized the festive event, which was capped by UCLA's thrilling upset of Arizona in Pac-12 basketball, which secured a #2 national rank!

Spencer Van

Ruiten: Keg chair.

Pablo Rivas: Keg stand.

Won Park: Bartender ladies chair.

Bruce Macdonald: Booze chair.

Josh Brooks and

Randall Bass: Set up the club-quality sound system and spun records in Santa Monica afterward.

Scott Scheffler: Worked the door and secured very generous spur-of-the-moment donations from Past Sage Sean Topp, Mike Alvarez, and Tim O'Hara.

Notes: A "Make America Great Again" cap was left at the event. If not claimed, it will be donated to the Bernie Sanders 2020 campaign bonfire.

▲ Save the date for Upsilon's 95th Founders Day in Feb. 2018. Dullio Tonini-Lepori will journey from Chile with a newly renewed passport.

Brothers from 1991-1993 Pledge Classes will receive their Silver Crosses.





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Chapter Advisor

New Chapter Advisor Josh Trifunovic completed his first year, succeeding Past Sage Brian Letourneau who served as interim Advisor.

Brother "Tri-Funk" works in real estate, and he and his partners renovated the old Maloney's site into Rocco's Tavern. Actives and alumni regularly gather there for UCLA games and for events in 77west, the lounge underneath Rocco's.

Recently, a hot KKG junior jumped up in glee when Trifunovic stated he is a Sigma Pi. She said, "OMG, I we love Sigma Pi! We would do any event with them. They're always respectful and treat us nice!"

"It's a good reputation to have," he said. "I'm proud to hear that. The brothers are always respectable, and really fund and nice."

At the start of the year, the membership numbers were down, and several seniors had graduated, resulting in loss of institutional knowledge and processes. "It turned out to be something that bonded the brothers and made them stronger," he said.

The E.C. [Advisor p. 6](#) ➔

Alumni Update: Dr. Steven Austad



Dr. Steven Austad is a Distinguished Professor and Chairman of the Biology Dept. at the Univ. of Alabama-Birmingham, and his path to academia has been routed through lion taming and newspaper reporting.

He has traveled to Africa, South America and Micronesia in the south Pacific to discover why some animals and organisms age more quickly or more slowly, with the goal of finding treatments that can be applied to humans to slow the body's deterioration and other effects of growing old.

His work is much more precise and detailed than Ponce de Leon, and hoping to stumble on a magical genesis to live forever. Bats are able to hibernate for months with no muscle atrophy or heart muscle deterioration. However, humans that lie in comas and astronauts who return from space suffer from muscle loss.

Photo: Austad with Boomer the lion.

Bats also live for 30-40 years, much longer than similarly-sized mice that have much shorter lifespans. They don't suffer memory loss (like Alzheimers) and retain their ability to hear high-frequency sound (which humans lose after their teen years). Bats can still navigate 50-mile journeys by sound and sonar at age 30, and find their way back to their caves and the exact location of their babies, even though hundreds of other bats may live there.

Austad remembers his UCLA days fondly, and he can see the campus' Gene Bartow Arena, where the Blazers play basketball, from his office window. (Bartow followed John Wooden as the Bruins basketball coach in 1976, and started the UAB team in later years). He remains friends with his Big Brother Evan Snider, a fellow transplant to the South who lives in Kentucky, and they went rafting in Idaho and watched spring training baseball games in Arizona. Austad also traveled to Santa Barbara this year for a conference, and interviewed for a job at USC in past years.

After college, Austad lived in Portland, and his karate instructor had lions as pets. He asked Austad to help transport them to Los Angeles for a movie, and the studio recruited him to be a lion trainer. Austad explained that he had no qualifications, but the studio said he could learn on the job from the more experienced head trainer. Austad was a chaperone for actress Tippi Hendrin's daughter, a teenage Melanie Griffith. One day, he took two lions for a walk along Zuma Beach, shocking the homeowners who lived on the cliffs. Fortunately, no pet dogs were devoured.

The animal training experience sparked his interest in biology, and after graduate school, he did research in field biology. Other findings include 500-year-old clams, which have a specialized molecule that prevents brain proteins from folding and clumping, which causes dementia. Humans do not have this trait in their genomes, so the goal is to develop treatments, such as drugs, to replicate this in humans and prolong health and life.

He also discovered the hydra age extremely slowly, don't lose their ability to reproduce, and usually never die from disease or deterioration of tissue or organs. They are usually killed by predators.

In Venezuela, Austad discovered that possums accumulated health problems in as short as three months, much more quickly than cats, which are the same size. Findings like these about aging motivated him to begin more research in labs, to determine what caused these differences among organisms.

Austad attended Long Beach Jordan H.S., and he majored in English. On the side, he was a pool shark, and once played for a 48-hour stretch without sleep.

[Austad \(continued p. 6\)](#) ➔



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Advisor (con't): and its younger leaders, led by dynamic Sage Bennet Ladyman, showed thoughtful and decisive leadership in dealing with flaky brothers and financial arrears. They are building for the future by demanding accountability and dedication. When funds were low, and social events were at risk, the brothers stepped up and found personal funds for parties.

"We had a few tough times, but it was just growing pains, part of boys becoming men," he said. "They're good young men and becoming responsible, and will be assets to society."

Trifunovic looks forward to at least three more years in his "term," to see how his curricula and policies evolve. In his first year, he focused on motivating the chapter and building enthusiasm, which resulted in boisterous meetings full of brotherhood and good cheer.

Next year, he will build the structure and organization, and emphasize the Ritual and ceremonies: "The actives inspire me, too. They are united and know that they can accomplish anything together."

Trifunovic appreciates the support from brothers like Josh Levy, Jake Loughridge, and Adam Hunt. He invites alumni back to the house for Monday Night Meeting, and will revive an alumni beer fridge (similar to Joe's stash of gin in the cook's fridge), so a cold highball is ready for visitors who return home.

Austad (con't): He won the Dykstra Hall pool championship, and then finished 2nd in the All-UCLA tournament twice. Even though Austad lost in the final, the referee (who was renowned professional Willie Moscone) said he played a smarter game... the winner was just a better pool shooter. "I completely mis-spent my youth," Austad jokes.

A liberal arts degree in English is the opposite of South Campus math/ science disciplines. But Austad has used his writing and communication skills to connect to the public better than most scientists. He regularly writes articles for AL.com (a website for Alabama residents) and the Huffington Post, where he educates a national audience about aging issues.

Austad wrote an article about an 88-year-old colonial man who suffered gunshot wounds and beatings from English soldiers but somehow survived and lived until age 98 in a time when the average lifespan was half of that. After publication, the great-great-granddaughter of the colonial man read the article, and told Austad that her grandmother had lived to age 109 on the Oklahoma prairie, another long lifespan in a difficult environment.

▲ Austad was previously a professor at Univ. of Texas Health Science Center in the Dept. of Cellular and Structural Biology. He is a Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America, and recipient of the Robert W. Kleemeier Award for outstanding research and its Geron Corp./Samuel Goldstein Distinguished Publication Award. He also received the Nathan A. Shock Award from the Gerontological Research Center of the National Institute on Aging. Austad currently serves as Section Editor on the Editorial Boards of Neurobiology of Aging and Aging Cell and as Associate Editor of the Journals of Gerontology. He has an interest in the communication of science to the general public, and has served on the Science Advisory Board of National Public Radio and been a consultant to the Oregon Museum of Science & Industry and the American Museum of Natural History in New York.



Austad has written popular science articles for numerous publications, and his trade book, *Why We Age*, (1994) has been translated into 7 languages.

Links: UAB website: <https://uab.edu/cas/biology/people/faculty/steven-n-austad>

Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Steven_N._Austad

Newspaper article: http://articles.chicagotribune.com/1992-11-18/news/9204150612_1_richard-sprott-genes-reproduction

Huffington Post article: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/american-federation-for-aging-research/bad-science-makes-big-hea_b_14602532.html

1st Counselor's Update

By Adarsh Krishnan, 1st Counselor

The year was a fruitful one for Sigma Pi Upsilon Chapter, successfully initiating three pledge classes in the Fall, Winter, and Spring. The hard work put in by the current rush chair, Josh Ammirato, and current Sage (ex-rush chair) Bennet Ladyman is reflected in the quality of the 38 brothers who have crossed in the past year.

We have had two sets of elections this year, creating a new Executive Council: Bennet Ladyman as Sage, John Rymer as Second Counselor, Jason Bahri as Third Counselor, Chris Gris as Fourth Counselor, Adarsh Krishnan as First Counselor, Jordan Clark as Herald, David Yona and Garo Kaprielian as Philanthropy Chairs, Blake Williams and Andrew Ghaly as Social Chairs, and Josh Ammirato as Rush Chair.

Founder's Day this year was a huge success with 100 alumni in attendance, and was made extra special by recognizing Sigma Pi's 125th anniversary of existence. **1st Counselor (continued) →**



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Remembrances

Bob Eggert (Y1955) made a donation to frame photos of the 1950s brothers, which were a gift from Doug Keppler and now hang in the Chapter Room:

I'm sad that the Old Men's Group has apparently seen its last Christmas gathering. It was such a brotherly concept and provided me and my wife Barbara welcome access back into the more active brotherhood that had meant so much to us "back then."

Our life and careers had focused on day-to-day living, and this year we'll celebrate our 60th wedding anniversary. It all began at the fraternity house with a dinner exchange with Alpha Omicron Pi, and Orchid Ball at the Hotel Bel Air.

We have particularly treasured the brotherhood and friendship of Dean and Sheila Cameron and Bob and Patti Hillerman during the decades since.

The devotion and commitment of brothers like Bill Cutbirth, Joe Marsalek, Tom Hamm and many others whose names I can't pull up at the moment help our fraternity endure, remain relevant and make a measurable contribution to our country's place as the most admired and emulated society in the history of the world.

To the extent that I am able, I will continue to be a "participating" Sigma Pi alum.

1st Counselor (continued): We must appreciate the hard work that Campbell Yamane (Past First Counsellor) put into organizing an event of this magnitude, and ensuring its success on the day. Thank you very much to all of the brothers who attended the evening, and for showing the current active chapter the rich history behind the house.

On Career Night in May, pledge brothers Adam Hunt, an attorney (Northwestern Law grad) for Sony Pictures Entertainment in Culver City, and Past Sage Jake Loughridge, who invests in and develops commercial real estate in the Los Angeles area, were guest speakers.

In our efforts to strengthen our brotherhood, a large group of brothers took two different trips throughout the year. We went on a ski trip to Big Bear, and a Spring Break trip to Havasu. They were both enjoyable getaways from school, and helped many newer



brothers get to know older brothers in the house better. We also showed our presence on campus by throwing a music festival, Daydream, to help raise awareness of homelessness in LA. Many brothers also participated in other Greek organizations' philanthropy events, such as Alpha Delta Pi's Lions Cup Soccer, Triangle's archery dodge ball, Delta Gamma's Anchor Splash, and Pi Phi's Arrowspike.

Overall, the year was filled with many memories, and we're certain that we'll have many more in the years to come.

Photo: Pledge brothers Adam Hunt, Esq. and Past Sage Jake Loughridge imparted their professional wisdom at the 11th Career Night in May. Hunt is an attorney (Northwestern Law grad) for Sony Pictures Entertainment in Culver City, and Loughridge invests in and develops commercial real estate in the Los Angeles area.





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Adytum on High



**Stephen Anthony Haworth
#502 (1935-2/20/2017):**



Brother Haworth, a U.S. Army veteran, passed to the Adytum on High on Feb. 20, 2017, in Palm Desert at age 82.

Haworth was born in Oakland and moved to Calexico as a toddler. He graduated from El Centro Union H.S. and graduated from UCLA in 1958.

Bill Altman lived with Haworth in the Pledge Dorm in the Dungeon bunkbeds in 1953. He remembers how Haworth borrowed chef Pearl Winter's pots to use as drums as part of a late night jam session. Pearl ran a tight ship and she "went nuts" when she caught Haworth abusing her precious cooking equipment!

Haworth enlisted in the U.S. Army, like many Upsilon brothers of the 1950s. He worked for IBM and RAND Corp. on early computer programming. He then earned a law degree from USC in 1965.

Haworth (con't) P. 9 →

Adytum on High: Remembrances of brothers



Nicholas Zorotovich #491 (12/18/1934-8/19/2016): Brother Zorotovich, a Golden Cross recipient, passed to the Adytum on High at age 84 in Elkton, Ore.

Zorotovich grew up in the Croatian community in San Pedro and played basketball in high school. Bill Altman remembers Zorotovich as a respected Executive Council officer, as

well as being a tall, gentlemanly brother: "Everybody liked Nick. He was a leader. He was an outstanding guy."

He was part of Upsilon's formidable chariot race team during Greek Week, which featured future Navy pilot Jim Seely and Bruin athletes Bob Jones, Rudy Feldman and Warner Benjamin. Zorotovich's job was to procure lumber from a construction site, one step ahead of the nightwatchman and police.

After UCLA, Zorotovich taught social studies at San Pedro H.S. for 30 years, and many of his students stayed in contact after they graduated. Prudy also taught English and was a college guidance counselor.

Zorotovich took an interest in anthropology and took UCLA extension classes during a sabbatical in the 1970s. He traveled to archeological sites in Mexico, Guatemala and Easter Island as part of university research expeditions. He also visited China.

The Zorotoviches moved to Oregon in retirement and built a new home among the pines, partly because he had fond memories of camping up and down the Pacific coast when his family drove to Washington to visit relatives as a youth.

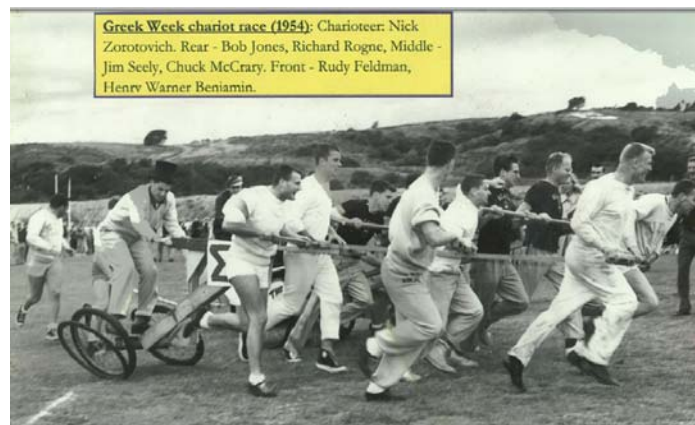
In Oregon, the Zorotoviches stayed active in the community, and volunteered as "grandparent readers" at the local elementary school. In later years, those now-older students greeted them with hugs in the street.

The Zorotoviches remembered their Bruin roots, too, and always attended the UCLA-Oregon game. When the City of Eugene built its Peace Park that honored Nobel Prize laureates, they sponsored the plaque for UCLA professor Ralph Bunche. Zorotovich's father had attended UCLA when it was the UC Southern Branch in the

1920s and was a member of a debate team. Bunch applied, but was rejected because of his race. Zorotovich's father would not accept that, so he left that group and started another debate team, and immediately invited Bunche to join. Not bad to have a future U.S. diplomat on your side!

▲ Zorotovich is survived by his wife, Prudy and four

children. She who can be contacted at (541) 584-2341 or The2Zees@RConnects.com.



Greek Week chariot race (1954): Charioteer: Nick Zorotovich. Rear - Bob Jones, Richard Rogne, Middle - Jim Seely, Chuck McCrary. Front - Rudy Feldman, Henry Warner Benjamin.



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Remembering those brothers who served our country in the pursuit of peace and freedom and made the ultimate sacrifice:

Robert "Ace" Calkins (#193), Donald Hesse (#195), Liston Comer (#214), Lane Donovan (#234), Ralph Neis (#348)

Haworth (con't):

Haworth then worked as a Deputy District Attorney for Los Angeles County and earned high commendations.

He entered private practice in Century City for decades, and was a proud 50-year member of the California State Bar, with never one complaint filed against him.

Haworth was a man of high intellect who was on the TV quiz show Jeopardy, and a devoted patron of arts and education. He was a 50-year member of the San Diego Opera and longtime supporter of the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

Haworth was a classic gentleman who lived the Creed and spoke Spanish and German. He loved cars and was a world traveler with a second home in Switzerland, taking his family along and making new friends everywhere.

He flew on old DC-3s and the modern Concorde aircraft, and sailed from the smallest catamaran to the Queen Mary cruise ship.

Haworth was grateful for a heart and kidney transplant in 2006 that extended his life for a decade.

His final wish is for his friends to do something nice to someone else.

▲ Haworth is survived by his partner, Gottfried Epp; sister Terry Riker and brother-in-law Mark Riker; sons Soames and Chauncey and their families. ΣΠ



David Pulaski #789 (1957-6/17/2017): Brother Pulaski, a brilliant advertiser/ marketer and beloved brother from the 1970-80s, passed to the Adytum on High at age 60 in Thousand Oaks.

Pulaski brought an indomitable spirit to the fraternity. His enthusiasm was infectious, and his brain was sharp. He will be remembered as a candid, genuine individual and as an open-minded, creative visionary with a roguish sense of fun.



His roommate Bruce Thompson remembers that Pulaski's car was struck by a wrong-way drunk driver on his way home to Barstow. Pulaski flew through the windshield, and his heart stopped. Behind him was a physician who kept him going until the paramedics arrived. Three days later back at the house, Pulaski was walking gingerly with no major breaks. He graduated in 1979 with a B.A. in Psychology.

Pulaski was hired by marketing / consumer information firm J.D. Power along with John Snodgrass. At J.D. Power, Pulaski led the development of the original automotive Customer Satisfaction Index. He later founded his own research and consulting firm, Matters of Fact, where he helped gather and interpret customer opinions for companies such as American Honda and BMW of North America. At the time of his passing he was research director at Siegel+Gale, a global brand strategy company.

Pulaski was a member of the North Ranch Country Club, where he was on the Board of Directors and President of the Tennis Club. A 20-year member, he was an accomplished tennis player and golfer, and he devised new and unexpected ways to relax and have fun. He was very involved in and passionate about the club and could be counted on to champion decisions that would be fair to all members.

Pulaski met his future wife Rita at J.D. Power, and they married in 1986 on a water ski trip in Paso Robles. Both tore up life and traveled, including Jeep trips and house boats trips. One of Pulaski's favorite pastimes was to explore the backcountry of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks. More recently, he served as a docent at Malibu Creek State Park, where he had hiked since the 1970s.

Pulaski also liked running and multi-stage competitions. Two of his proudest achievements were completing the LA Marathon and the Wildflower Triathlon.

Even fighting cancer, Pulaski lived more life than most healthy people do. He provided tickets to many Bruins events either home or on the road, and provided the snacks and drinks at Rose Bowl tailgaters.

"He was an exceedingly generous man," Thompson



said. "I love him and miss him."

▲ Pulaski is survived by his wife Rita. Donations may be made to the Malibu Creek Docents Association or the California State Parks Foundation ΣΠ

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Please help the Alumni Association by paying Annual Dues for 2017. Donations fund scholarships for actives (Meyer and D'Avanzo scholarships) and renovate the house.

Payment is on an 'ability-to-contribute' basis. We do a lot – please support the brotherhood!

Purchases include new robes for the Executive Council, a Brooks Brothers tie for the outgoing Sage, framing photos of WWII veteran brothers, varsity athletes, politicians and educators.

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Past Sage Brad Layous and family, wife Shonda with daughters Addison and Kendall.