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FEB. 24, 1923
BALL&CHAIN 1919

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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



100th Founders Day

The 100th Founders Day was a Gathering of a Lifetime with 250 brothers celebrating generations of brotherhood, scholarship on Feb. 25, 100 years and 1 day after our fraternity's founding in 1923.

Upsilon was the first fraternity at UCLA in 1923, with its roots in the Ball and Chain Club that was founded in 1919 at the UC Southern Branch's original campus on Vermont Ave.

"Bringing together generations of Sigma Pi is always a great experience, but the 100 year celebration felt different," Dr. Sam Caine said. "There was an immense amount of energy that day, surrounded by brothers from different eras, demonstrating a long lasting tradition. Old timers, like myself, were speaking to the young actives about careers, life choices, successes and mistakes.

To be a part of a unique group like this is something very special that everyone felt that night - a great sense of pride in being a brother of Sigma Pi.

Grand Sage Judge Kent Varney, a Kentucky native, attended and presented Hatfield and McCoy whiskey shakers to Sage Will O'Halloran.

Numerous Travelers journeyed from around the world to attend, including Steve Lantz (Switzerland), John Ivson (Switzerland by way of Florida), Alfred Hernandez (Houston), Bruce Peterson (Chicago), Dieter Letsch (Texas), Doug Glantz (Georgia), Mack McGonagill (Texas), Brandon Rokos (Boston), Ben Perkins (Boston), and Brad Reichard (Washington, D.C.).

Letsch organized a group of 1980s brothers, including Brien Rowe, Shane Smith, Mike Davis, Tom Robinson and Bob Fischer.

Ben Perkins returned to the house for the first time since 1985 (38 years!).

The Shoji family was well-represented with Dr. Kent Shoji, a UCLA Emergency Room doctor who pledged in the 1960s, and his nephew, Keith Shoji (1990s).





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Minutes: UAA

Annual Meeting Feb. 25, 2023

Alumni members approved all actions taken by the Upsilon Alumni Assn. during the past year at UAA Annual Meeting on Sat., Feb 25, at Sigma Pi Manor at 612 Landfair Ave. in Westwood, at 5:00 pm.

The following officers were re-elected:

Executive Director and Secretary Pablo Rivas, President and Asst. Secretary Jay Ross, Treasurer and Asst. Secretary Scott Scheffler.

"It was a great evening of history and witnessing the current group of actives, many of whom I met," Dr. Shoji said. "The house has created such a wonderfully diverse group of young men who will make the house very proud. I'm honored to be a part of its history and a ground breaker for diversity."

Our oldest, most Sagely brother was USMC Capt. Douglas Frank from the late 1950s, who traveled from Sacramento.



Past Grand Herald Bruce Peterson and Past Sage Alan Crivaro, who helped re-charter the chapter, represented the 1970s.



Paul Lee, Keith Hayes



Andrew Guilford, a retired federal district judge; Franz Miller, a retired Orange County Superior Court judge; and John Rhode, a Wisconsin County judge.

Sage Will O'Halloran led the Opening Ritual, and Chase Hay did an amazing job as the Emcee to script the event, honoring our past and celebrating the future. Ryan Seacrest would have been jealous of his performance and tuxedo!

1st Councilor Matthew Lombarda led the Memorial Ritual to honor brothers who have passed to Adytum on High in the past year, including Dean Cameron, U.S. Army veteran during the post-WWII occupation of Germany; Robert Eggert, an all-league football player and boat

"Thank you for a wonderful 100th celebration," Crivaro said. "The Upsilon Chapter house looks great and the spirit of our fraternity is clearly alive and well!! I was privileged to be mentored in Sigma Pi by some of our Chapter's most outstanding alumni like Bill Cutbirth, Bill Meyer and Joe Henriksen. I am sure that Donald "Doc" Allison and the original Old Men's Club were smiling down on all of us with approval on Saturday."

Three honorable judges attended to ensure brothers were in compliance with all federal and state regulations:



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2020s: Noah Crousore, Nick Rackauckas, and Ciaran O'Neill



1990s: Jake Loughridge and Josh Trifunovic



1980-1990s: Rob Ward, Past Sage Stu Johnson

captain in Newport Beach; Lt. Peter Royer, U.S. Army; Robert Fulkerson, U.S. Army; and Dr. Mack Ott, an international economics expert who authored two books and worked for international NGOs.

Brad Reichard storyboarded and scripted an amazing video that National produced (posted on our website: <http://UCLASigmaPi.com/>).

He also wrote the Emerald article on our Centennial (see link below), designed the classy



display boards in the foyer, and designed the nifty commemorative program.

Matt Sumrow managed the money for the very complex event, created the menu with the caterer, and arranged for the drinks at the house and venue. Scott Scheffler tracked the payments from 300 attendees, and ensured the checks went out on time.

Warren Harrison created a montage of photos from our 1919 founding at the UC Southern Branch to the current chapter.

Mack McGonagill led the "Doin' It For Ducky Drake" fun run around campus, mixing their sweat with the rain. No brother was left behind!

Past Sage Won Park arranged for the delightful Ladies of Upsilon to man the bar with plenty of fine scotch.

Nick Rackauckas set up the after-hours "Club Sigma Pi" after the banquet and led the DJ team with Adam Griffin.

▲ Scholarships: 13 scholarships worth \$12,000 were bestowed to worthy actives.

Garni's sister Astineh Arakelian and her son, Liam Garn Britton, presented the Garni Arakelian Award to Tyler Triviz.

Our largest donor, Princeton Kim, presented his Service Award to Sebastian Lipstein.

Upsilon Perpetual Scholarship: 1st place (in memory of Joseph Marsalek): Andrew Polonsky.



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D'Avanzo Award: Sage Will O'Halloran, 2nd Councilor Jorge Almeida, Sebastian Perkinson



1960s judges: Andrew Guilford and Franz Miller



1980-1990s: Dr. Chris Koutures, Jay Ross

2nd place (in memory of Gary Gross): David Spector. 3rd place (in memory of Ray Carlisle): Past Sage Cheney Sung. 4th Place (in honor of Carl Moroney): Matthew Lombera.

William Meyer Award (most outstanding brother): Sage Will O'Halloran.

Julien D'Avanzo Award (Spirit of Sigma Pi): Jorge Almeida.

President's Award: Oliver Buc.

Charles Osterlund Award (athletics): UCLA varsity runner Ronan McMahon-Staggs (Bruin record holder for the indoor mile!)

Tim Howell/ Robert Webster Award (academics): Oliver Ortiz.

Adrian Edwards Award (friend of all): Mariano Velez.

612 Landfair Award (protector of Upsilon Manor): Joshua Saidfar.

Pledge Scholarships: David Jacob, Oliver Ortiz.

▲ Event Donors: Thank you to our generous alumni who contributed extra for the event. They allowed us to cover 75% of the cost for the Actives, who otherwise could not have attended.

Emerald Club: Arturo Martinez, Sasan Amini, Josh Ammirato and an Anonymous alumnus.

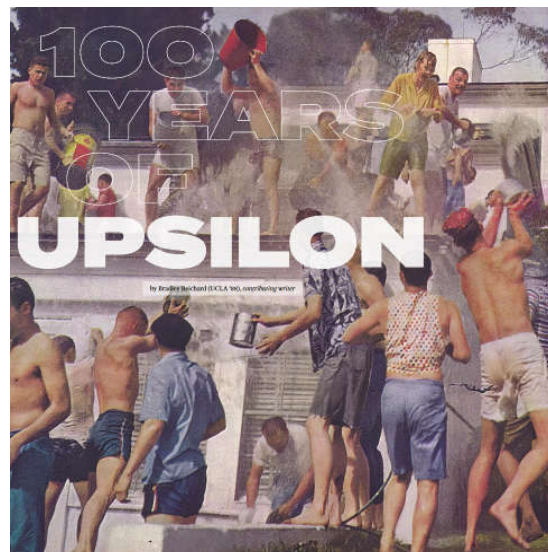
Centennial Club: Alan Crivaro Esq., Past Sage David Finkel, Steve Lantz, Past Sage Brian Letourneau, Bruce MacDonald Esq., Judge Franz Miller, Brad Reichard, Judge John Rhode, Dan Romero CFP, Steven Schechter CPA, Past Sage Larry Coval, Michael Bonino, Dieter Letsch, John Lindsay, Barry Maiten, Leonitis Park, Jon Yipp and Matt Sumrow.

From the beginning... onto our 2nd century: In 1931, alumni purchased a lot on the hills west of campus, and Upsilon Manor rose at 612 Landfair Ave. The brotherhood excelled in athletics, campus involvement, and academics, and alumni became doctors, lawyers, engineers, businessmen and judges. The chapter was Re-Chartered in 1975, and thrives to this day, with 1,817 initiated brothers.

If you missed the event, you missed a once in a lifetime experience, so join us for our 101st in Feb. 2024.

Video from National: <https://www.facebook.com/sigmapi/videos/667237801838614>

The Emerald (written by Brad Reichard): <https://tinyurl.com/56hhaxum>



On May 1, 1922, there was no national Greek letter fraternities at the University of California at Los Angeles. By May 1, 1923, there was one: Sigma Pi.

—Donald Allison (UCLA 1923) as excerpted from the July 1924 issue of The Emerald, Volume XI, No. 2

100 years and one day after Upsilon Chapter of Sigma Pi was founded as the first national fraternity at UCLA's Los Angeles campus in 1922, Upsilon Brothers spanning 100-plus years gathered at 612 Landfair Avenue to mark the Chapter's 100th Founders' Day and celebrate the dawn of the Chapter's second century.

"Every member of Upsilon has his own memories of chapter life, but our shared experiences are the bedrock of the tradition we hold dear," said Jay Ross (90), President of the Upsilon Alumni Association.

Upsilon's traditions reach back to UCLA's early history. Four years after the Regents of the University of California transformed the State Teachers' College at Los Angeles campus into the Southern Branch of the University of California.

On the afternoon of February 24, 1922, Delta Sigma Chi Fraternity — formerly known as the Hall and Chain Fraternity — was admitted to membership in Sigma Pi, making it the first national fraternity on campus.

During these early years, Upsilon flourished: the July 1929 issue of The Emerald reported that Upsilon's members were found in every walk of UCLA's university life, noting that there was "hardly a team, an honor society, or an activity of any kind that does not have in it at least one of the brothers."

The men who comprised Upsilon's brotherhood between 1922 and 1932 experienced fraternity life in the Chapter's first and second houses — which were located at 610 and 1013 N. New Hampshire Avenue, respectively — when UCLA was located in Vermont Avenue in today's East Hollywood neighborhood of Los Angeles.

By January 1930, the Upsilon Chapter Building Association had raised the \$50,000 needed

to finance and build a permanent chapter house at UCLA's new Westwood campus. On September 26, 1930, ground was broken for Sigma Pi Manor on a hill overlooking UCLA's athletic fields and the campus.

The April 1931 issue of The Emerald reported that "on the eve of the 10th of March 1931, Upsilon's dream, at last, came true" and that "the doors of the new chapter house were thrown open for the first time."

"After 92 years, 612 Landfair is more than just a house where UCLA students have lived. Our fraternity house is home to a bond of brotherhood that unites generations of Upsilon men," reflects Matt Sumrow (20), President of the Upsilon Chapter Building Association.

Upsilon's alumni have contributed significantly to the Fraternity, with William Meyer (41), General William Myers, U.S. Army (14), Judge James Ross (47), Dr. Maxwell Ralphy (34), Admiral James Reedy, U.S. Navy (52), and Andrew B. Shaw (44) each being a recipient of the Fraternity's most prestigious honor, the Founders' Award.

Equally as important are the individuals, including Tack Chang (90), Arturo Martinez (90), Herman Quipper (90), and Josh Trifunovic (100) whose support helped guide the Chapter and alumni association since the Chapter's 75th Founders' Day.

"Alumni involvement is crucial, and as we reflect on our 100th Founders' Day, we remember that traditions and brotherhood can be fragile," recalled Judge Franz Miller, est. (96), a member of the class that saw Upsilon's chapter flourish go dark for one short year.

"As a student, I was always impressed by the support of the Sigma Pi alumni in the form of networking, mentorship and career development," explains Chase Hay (07).



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Words of Wisdom

I really was moved by the event. The house looks great and you have done a marvelous job of mixing the past history with the present.

I can't tell you what a wonderful experience it was standing on the balcony again with Bruce Peterson.

I must admit that I was profoundly moved by our 100th Anniversary in a way that I did not expect.

As someone who was privileged to have spent time with one of the founders of our chapter (Donald "Doc" Allison) and having met some of the current active members at Founders' Day, I was struck how timeless the core values of our fraternity really are.

While all members share the common experience of our chapter house, Upsilon has always been much more than the physical walls of 612 Landfair.

From our modest beginning, the intangibles of our brotherhood and all that entails truly binds each generation to the next. Much like our chapter manor, the foundation upon which Upsilon rests is solid.

The "Old Men's Club" of my active years deeply

Upsilon 100 Centennial Campaign (1923-2023)

Joan and Stanley Gross recently donated an extremely generous \$50,000 to our "Upsilon 100 Campaign." Their son, Gary Gross was a prosecutor for Los Angeles County, the husband of Leilani, and the father of Talia. Our brother Gary died at a too-early age.

The Gross family is our second Tau Phi Delta donors, along with the estate of Ray Carlisle (Y1939).

The campaign has met our goal of \$100,000 for our "Centennial Campaign." 72 brothers have donated, with an average donation of \$1,400. 33 brothers have donated more than \$1,000.

We aim to collect \$25,000 more during our 100th year celebration, so if you have never donated, use this occasion of our Centennial to donate for the first time.

"Joe was an inspiration. It is my pleasure to add my contribution to his scholarship fund," said Robert Schrader, a 1950s brother of Joe.

Those donations will celebrate 100 years of brotherhood— that means we need \$7,000 more in donations from YOU.

"Thank you for the update on the Joseph Marsalek scholarship fund, said Joe's daughter, Julie Marsalek Wage. "Dad would be thrilled to be a part of helping with higher educational costs, especially since he needed the help himself. I passed the information on to our sons, his grandsons, so they would know of his legacy."

Our Joseph Marsalek Upsilon Chapter Educational Foundation has \$404,000. We have invested your donations prudently to increase the endowment by \$260,000 – those are big returns!

Alumni generosity has been amazing in recent years. Our endowment had only \$60,000 just 13 years ago, and that amount increased greatly with Ray Carlisle's bequest of \$50,000.

Donations to the Upsilon-Marsalek Fund are tax-deductible, and donors are recognized in the Pioneer and The Emerald. All donations to the Upsilon-Marsalek Fund are held in a segregated account for the exclusive benefit of our chapter.

As our beloved friend Joe Marsalek once said, Donate now and stay off the roof!

Emerald Society: Dan Romero and Past Chapter Advisor Taek Chang are our 16th and 17th members with their recent donations.

They join Liron Nelik, Carl Moroney, Dr. Kent Shoji, Mark Helmick, Steven Schechter, Past Sage Brian Letourneau, Rob Webster, Tim Howell, Ralph Rea, Claude "Skip" Keyzers (Adytum on High), Lt. Everett Rea (Adytum on High), Richard "Craig" Owens, Lt. Robert





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believed in the fraternity's values and were eager to perpetuate that vision into the future.

While these incredible alumni have passed to the Adytum on High, their vision continues to come to fruition with each brother initiated.

The present diversity and inclusion of our active membership sets the stage for the vitality of Upsilon for another 100 years.

These young brothers are an example for all of us. Thank you, past and present brothers of Upsilon, for the positive impact you have made in my life.

-Past Sage Alan Crivaro

Something I also took from that night was the connections I made with several of the actives. They sought me out specifically to pick my brain about life after college and my professional experience.

I was honored that the actives reached out to me in this way, and I was eager and willing to give them advice and help them out in any way I could.

This also extended past Founders Day and I was able to speak with them

Rule, Joseph Marsalek (Adytum on High), Fred Feldman and an anonymous donor.

Old Vincennes: Past Sage David Finkel is our first member. Thank you, Brother Finkel!

Shadowwood Society: Princeton Kim, Esq., is our 3rd member. William Meyer (Adytum on High), and Housing Board President Matt Sumrow are also members.

Tau Phi Delta Society: Ray Carlisle, a 1930s alumnus, is our first brother, and Gary Gross' parents, Joan and Stanley, made a special donation in memory of him in 2022.



Donate to the Upsilon Chapter Centennial Campaign

Please donate to help Sigma Pi advance the Creed at UCLA and increase our endowment to \$425,000.

We awarded scholarships to 13 brothers worth \$13,000 at Founders Day.

- Funds Perpetual Scholarships (awarded in honor of Joe Marsalek, Carl Moroney and Ray Carlisle), Gary Gross Memorial Scholarship, Adrian Edwards Memorial Scholarship, Charles Osterlund Memorial Athletic Scholarship and four Pledge Scholarships every year.
- Donate online - Go to www.SigmaPi.org and click on "Donate" at top right, then click on "Make A Donation To The Educational Foundation".
 - In the "Campaign" dropdown box, click on "Chapter Educational Fund: UCLA (Upsilon-Marsalek)".
- Issue a check to "Sigma Pi Educational Foundation" and write "Joseph Marsalek Upsilon Chapter Fund" in the Memo line.

Mail to:

David Finkel, Treasurer
Upsilon Chapter Housing Assn.
1830 S. Kelton Ave. #9
Los Angeles, CA 90025

More info: Call David Finkel at (818) 633-3898 or DavidFinkel@Juno.com



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via text, email, and FaceTime to assist them in applying for summer internships.

I felt more connected to the house than ever before as an alumni which makes me want to support the house more and share whatever little knowledge I have with the actives.

This is something I'll always remember from our 100th Founders Day.

-Sebastian Perkinson

Upsilon Chapter

Housing Assn.

House improvements include the new vinyl wood flooring that was installed in advance of Founders Day.

A water fountain/ filter was installed in the powder room at the request of the actives.

▲ Members:

Matt Sumrow, President; Past Sage David Finkel, Treasurer; James Lipow; Jay Ross, UAA President; Josh Trifunovic, Chapter Advisor; Liron Nelik; Alfred Hernandez; Nick Rackauckus; Past Sage Tom Miller, President Emeritus; Arturo Martinez, Secretary Emeritus.

Guest Speaker: Denver Quadros



Brother Denver Quadros spoke to the chapter on Jan. 30 about his journeys from afar to UCLA, the Upsilon alumni network, and starting a Star Wars club on campus.

Quadros was an international student from Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. He pledged in 2017, and Sigma Pi became his home away from home.

He appreciated the

diversity of the brotherhood, with new close-knit friends from Bahrain, Kuwait, France and other states like New York and Washington. He even lived in the house for an extra quarter with his friend Cheney Sung.

"One hundred years of brothers have gone through here, we have a global network across countries" he said. "We have our own networking here, and we also have UCLA. It's a first-line network that carries us through the bad things and shares the good times."

Quadros was active on campus with the Community Service Commission, Project Literacy and Model U.N. When brothers were challenged to start a club, he tried to start a Star Wars club, though that had limited success.

In another galaxy in modern times, Quadros works for Westlake Financial Services in distressed assets, finding opportunity from chaos. He manages Westlake's Asset Control division, overseeing AR/AP teams and designing application enhancements to create a seamless, but efficient operating unit.

Quadros graduated with a B.S. in Computer Science and then earned a Masters from USC, but was having a difficult time finding his first job and a visa. He would have to return to Dubai soon, but found some luck and the benefits of the Sigma Pi network in a bar. He ran into Justin Brandt, whom he had met 4 years earlier, and he pointed him in the direction of a job opening and helped him to jump the corporate ladder.

By believing in Sebaste Pistis, and how Upsilon brothers always pay forward, Quadros appreciated the help they received while an active. That inspired him to return to the Chapter.

"Everything you do, you put into the Creed," he said. "You believe in it. It is effort. You can ignore it, or you can complete it. It's always for the next batch of brothers."

He remains friends with Charlie Bickel, who works in finance in Century City, and Gabriel Toscano, his roommate who works in the entertainment industry.

▲ LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/denver-quadros-079309b3/>



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Planned Giving

Your gift to the Upsilon Alumni Association will make the difference in the lives of many of our fellow Bruin Sigma Pi brothers through scholarships, leadership training and values-based education.

Many older alumni have included Upsilon in their estates, and younger alumni can to arrange for a bequest to Upsilon.

As you create your personal estate plans, please remember the value of your membership and pass along the belief to others.

Sample text for a will:
"I give and bequeath to the Upsilon Alumni Association, the sum of \$_____ to be used in fulfillment of educational purposes as the Upsilon Alumni Association shall determine." ΣΠ

Executive Council 2022-23

Good luck to our new E.C. officers:
Sage: Will O'Halloran
1st: Matthew Lombera
2nd: David Spector
3rd: Andrew Polonsky
4th: Will Burns
Herald: Brendan Santos



Adytum on High: Robert Eggert



Robert Eggert # (1935-1/12/2022): Brother Eggert, a U.S. Navy veteran, passed to the Adytum on High on Jan. 12, 2022, at age 87 in Newport Beach.

Eggert's friends called him Bob, and his family lovingly knew him as Poppy.

Born in Glendale, Eggert was raised in Newport Beach. He lived on the beachfront and spent his childhood swimming the ocean and sailing the bay. He attended Newport Harbor H.S., was an All-League football player, and served as the student body president.

Eggert then headed to UCLA, graduating in 1957 with a major in Theater Arts. He pledged the fraternity, which lead to meeting his wife, Barbara. They were married in June 1957 in her hometown of Glendale.

After college, Eggert joined the U.S. Navy. As an intelligence officer, he served in the Pacific Fleet on USS Lexington, USS Midway, and USS Coral Sea aircraft carriers.

After active duty, Eggert served 17 years in the US Naval Reserve, retiring in 1977 with rank of Commander.

After his discharge, Eggert building a successful 40-year career in the private sector. As a public relations expert, he left his mark at Rockwell International, Disneyland, and Southern California Gas Company.

Eggert guest lectured at Golden West College, and served his community through numerous Chambers of Commerce's, the Rotary Club of Pomona, the United Way, and the Los Angeles County Fair Association.

A particular passion was serving as a volunteer reader for the Recording for the Blind. For Eggert, his career sustained life, but did not fill it. His family, and his devotion to his wife, children, and grandchildren, is what truly filled his cup.

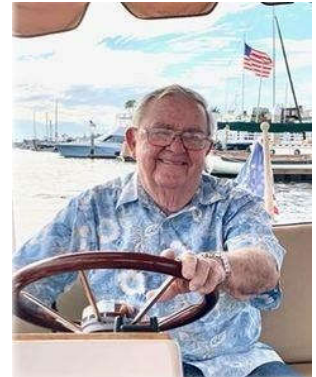
His adoration for his wife, Barbara, anchored it all. Married 64 years, and inseparable for most of it, their life together was a living example of the greatest gifts of marriage itself: companionship, passion, and purpose.

Throughout their life together, their journey led them to San Diego and Whittier. But Fullerton is where they would put down roots. After 44 years in Fullerton, eventually their path led back to Newport Beach, to be closer to family.

Without question, Eggert considered his family to be his most significant life accomplishment. He thrived as both a father and grandfather, investing a large part of his time later in life towards their development. He was present, listened, taught, and became an integral part of their lives.

In the end, Eggert spent his final day watching the sunrise, looking out on the ocean and his childhood neighborhood from the best view at Hoag Hospital, sharing his wisdom, laughing with his grandchildren, listening to his favorite music, eating his favorite ice cream, without pain, and holding Barbara's hand. It was a perfect exit to a great life.

▲ Eggert is survived by Barbara, wife of 64 years, his brother (John), three sons (Steven, Michael, Glenn), and seven grandchildren. His parents, Henry Eggert and Julia Eggert, and





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Thank you to our donors

Thank you to our extra generous brothers who contributed to the Centennial Campaign.

\$ 12,080

Princeton Kim, Esq.

\$ 7,500

Matthew Sumrow, Esq.

\$ 6,500

Past Sage David Finkel

\$ 5,000

Anonymous

Taek Chang

PS Brian Letourneau

Dan Romero, CFP

Dr. Kent Shoji

\$ 4,000

Liron Nelik

\$ 3,000

Ms. Lani Gross

** in honor of*

Gary Gross, Esq.

Ralph Rea

Steven Schechter, CPA

\$ 2,750

Fred Feldman

\$ 2,000

Nick North

Rudy Feldman, All-PCC

\$ 1,500

James Lipow

Robert Moore

Past Sage Won Park

\$ 1,000

Sasan Amini

Past Sage Larry Coval

Doug Glantz

Kent Lewis, OGB

his sister Bonnie Bell, predeceased him.

Donations may be made to the Robert Henry Eggert Memorial Fund at the Newport Harbor Educational Foundation to support programs at his alma mater, Newport Harbor H.S. Checks may be sent to Robert Henry Eggert Memorial Fund, Newport Harbor Educational Foundation, 600 Irvine Ave., Newport Beach, CA 92663 or online at www.SupportNHHS.com ΣΠ

Adytum on High: Dean Cameron



Dean Cameron #317 (1928-12/24/2022): Brother Cameron, a U.S. Army Veteran and one of Upsilon's oldest brothers, passed to the Adytum on High on Dec. 24, 2022, in Fresno.

Cameron was a renaissance man with great skills as an artist and as a nascent information technologist.

Cameron served in the U.S. Army in the post-WWII occupation of West Germany and in Korea. After he was discharged, he enrolled at UCLA as one of the early Old Men's Club brothers.

Cameron met his future wife, the former Miss Sheila Kelly of ΑΔΠ, on a double date, and she was impressed by his musical skills. He often played the piano at exchanges and Spring Sing, and played in a dance band for tuition money. A business statistics class opened the door to an emerging new field – computing.



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Cameron began work at IBM in Santa Monica, and then for the old General Telephone Co. He became one of the first consulting engineers, and as a special representative in programming, he taught customers how to use computers and wrote instructions for laymen to understand the new technologies..

Cameron stayed involved with UCLA, and in 1957, Chancellor Franklin Murphy honored him as the 10,000th lifetime member of the UCLA Alumni Assn. How did UCLA keep track of so many alumni? By using an early IBM mainframe computer.

The family moved to the San Fernando Valley, where they raised their children. Dean and Sheila moved to Fresno for retirement several years ago.

▲ Cameron is survived by his wife, Sheila, who can be reached at (559) 432-1373 or



R. Dean Cameron '57 was presented with his 10,000th alumni life membership card by Chancellor Murphy. The historic moment was appropriately witnessed by an IBM unit.

deancameron1928@gmail.com, and their two children. ΣΠ

Upsilon Alumni Association
c/o Jay Ross
2307 S. Amherst Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90064-1103

Annual Dues are Due!

Please help the Alumni Association by paying Annual Dues for **2023**. 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, and framing photos of varsity athletes.

Emerald level: \$100.00.

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Scott Good and wife Denise on his hog in Hawaii.
Where's Jeff Bara, left in the dust on Mulholland ???