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From the President

My message to you today is to urge you to get involved and stay involved with ΦBK! Because you are reading this newsletter, I know you are interested. There are 58 alumni associations across the country. You can be proud that ΦBK NCA is one of the largest and most active with close to 1,000 members. As a non-profit 501(C3) organization, your dues and donations go almost exclusively toward our local graduate scholarships and teaching excellence awards. At our annual meeting on May 2, 2010, we awarded eight graduate students scholarships of \$5,000 and gave four faculty members teaching excellence awards of consisting of a certificate and \$500 honorarium each. Plan to attend our next annual meeting at 4 pm on Sunday, May 1, 2011 at the UC Berkeley Faculty Club.

Conference Center in Pacific Grove by the ocean is scheduled over the Presidents' Day weekend, February 18-21, 2011. A signup form is on page 8.

We are associated with eight college chapters in Northern California: Mills College, San Francisco State University, Santa Clara University, Stanford University, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Santa Cruz, and the University of the Pacific. Each spring/summer we send representatives to their ΦBK initiation ceremonies. You can get involved too! Contact Marci Coglianesse (see page 7).

Our membership year is January-December. You may have sent dues to the ΦBK Society in Washington, DC, but that does not make you a member of ΦBK NCA. The Society sends our yearly solicitations to all initiated members in order to maintain its services at the national level, but we do not receive any of that money locally. Please see our website www.pbknca.org for more information on dues and donations, and watch for the membership envelope in the November newsletter. Twelve dedicated volunteer board members lead our organization. You will find their contact information in this newsletter on page 7. Call or e-mail to see if you can help. I know each one of them would appreciate it.

We are looking forward to another successful year with you.

Janiece Nolan, President

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Other educational and fun social activities that support our awards are the programs you will find in this newsletter on page 4. Clip a coupon and send in your money! These events fill up fast. Our annual gathering at the Asilomar

Treasurer's Report

Members may download a copy of the FY 9-10 Financial Report from www.pbknca.org/financials/, or request it by mailing a #10 pre-addressed and stamped (44¢) envelope to the Treasurer, Mary Turner Gilliland, at 1040 Tehama Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025-1742.

Scholarship Awards

Shah Ali, Stanford, Medicine
Chantal Frankenbach, UC Davis, Music
Harold (Hal) Haggard, UC Berkeley, Physics
William Love Anderegg, Stanford, Biology
Alexis Peri, UC Berkeley, History

Shah Ali (Medicine, Stanford) is in his second year of graduate study, working toward a career in academic medicine. He is studying coronary artery disease and the cellular loss that results following acute myocardial injury. Some of his research will look at the possibilities of cell transplantation therapy.

Outside the classroom and lab, Shah has been part of a team that developed patient education presentations for the Stanford free clinics and for a Palo Alto homeless shelter. In addition, showing that his interests extend beyond science and medicine, he and a colleague organized trips to live-arts performances to bring together students and faculty in appreciation of the healing power of art.

His professors noted that he is self-directing and charming and has a wonderful sense of humor, a genuine thirst for knowledge, an amazingly sharp wit, and a keen understanding of satire and irony.

Chantal Frankenbach (Music, UC Davis) is examining the dislocation of dance from Western art music. In her dissertation, "Disdain for Dance, Disdain for France: Choreophobia in German Music Criticism," she shows that German music critics characterized dance as "feminine and French," and therefore not "pure" music. She herself is a professional dancer.

As part of her work in the prestigious Professors for the Future program, she devised a project, "Behind the Scenes in the Work of a Professor," to give graduate students a better understanding of the work of a professor and how the work differs at different institutions. A second workshop focused on how to publish in the humanities.

Her professors called her an extremely creative thinker and an exceptional scholar, adept at synthesis and dedicated to her students and colleagues.

Harold (Hal) Haggard (Physics, UC Berkeley) is studying the implications of quantum mechanics and its relation to the theory of relativity. The heart

Margaret Peters, Stanford, Political Science
Lilliana Radoshevich*, UCSF, Biomedical Sci.
Johnny Tam†, UCSF (& UCB), Bioengineering
* Reed Scholarship
† Application through UCSF, not UCB

of his thesis is "a description of the geometry arising out of the spin network that involves nine spinning particles." In addition to his Ph.D. from Berkeley, he will be receiving an international Ph.D. through the Università degli Studi de Pavia, Italy.

Hal is one of the three graduate student co-founders of the Compass Project at UC Berkeley. This project works to "increase the health, diversity, and competitiveness of the physical sciences at Berkeley by cultivating students' interest in science and supporting them through their college years. . . . [It also] exposes undergraduates to current research and helps them engage and participate in research themselves."

His professors note his impressive research achievements, extraordinary sense of community involvement, and broad intellectual interests.

William Love Anderegg (Biology, Stanford) is testing the physiological mechanisms of climate-induced forest mortality. He is studying the sudden aspen decline (SAD) that has swept across Colorado, several other western states, and parts of Canada. Through his research he seeks to "demonstrate the direct link between climate change and tree mortality . . . and make strides toward predictive models of forest mortality."

"Bill is a renaissance man. Besides his science, he also excels in music and writing." He took up the guitar because he couldn't carry his piano into the field, and he has written a fantasy novel that so impressed his favorite fantasy-novel writer that the latter placed it with his own agent.

His professors note that he is creative, grasps ideas quickly, and rapidly sees errors in logic. He is a mature thinker who "will not do science in silence."

Margaret Peters (Political Science, Stanford) is studying the politics of globalization, with a special focus on the politics of immigration. She is looking at the two periods of globalization in the modern era

(1820-1914 and the post-World War II era) and the immigration policies during those periods. Specifically, she is examining the "continued relative closure of the U.S. border to immigrants after World War II." Her goal is to contribute fact-based research instead of research with a policy agenda to policy makers and the general public.

She has received a scholarship from the U.S. Dept. of State (Critical Language Program) and a Gerald R. Ford award for research in public policy. She was also chosen to participate in the National Science Foundation REU Program in Mathematics.

Her professors call her smart, intellectually tough, technically far above the mean, and creative, having "a subversively creative mind."

Lilliana Radoshevich (Biomedical Sciences, UCSF) is studying the role of autophagy in cancer. A driving force in her research is the potential that what she finds could solve serious human health problems. She is also committed to bridging the gap in understanding between the scientific community and the general public.

She designed an adult education course, "Demystifying Molecular Biology," and volunteers in community education through the Science and Health Education Partnership between UCSF and the San Francisco Unified School District, co-teaching lessons with middle-school teachers in urban schools. Having helped vaccinate and tag

bighorn sheep during her own middle-school years, she believes in a hands-on approach to science.

Her professors note that she has a great nose for important questions and is meticulous, self-critical, self-directed, and able to see the big picture.

Johnny Tam (Bioengineering, UCSF) is investigating retinal capillaries in early-stage diabetes, using noninvasive techniques that he invented. His study opens up the patient pool that can be potentially investigated for both clinical practice and basic research in disease mechanisms. He is interested in directing the development of applications for medical imaging. He is licensed as an Engineer-in-Training and has received his Certificate in Management of Technology from the Haas School of Business and Engineering at UC Berkeley.

Outside the classroom and the lab, Johnny has been actively involved in the Institute for Science and Engineer Educators, which trains graduate students how to be effective teachers. As an undergraduate, he was vice-president and chair of the External Relations Committee of the Undergraduate Investment Society.

His professors note his passion, dedication, curiosity, and ambition as well as his foresight and courage to go beyond the confines of his discipline.

Joanne Sandstrom, Second Vice President, Scholarship

Are you under 40? Join the Young Phi Betes

We are attempting to reinvigorate the Young Phi Bete (YPB) group. Get together with Phi Betes of similar age and interest for breakfast, drinks after work, go on a picnic, arrange to meet at one the official ΦBK events (the Chocolate Fest (p 4) would be an ideal setting) – it is up to the group. Make new friends, network, whatever. There is no leader, someone suggests an event and others respond (or not).

We have a private WordPress blog where YPBs can communicate and plan events. Register now at <http://blog.pbknca.org/wp-login.php?action=register>. In order to join the blog, you will have to be a member of the Northern California Association.

Ray Hendess, Moderator

Teaching Excellence Nominations Needed

To date the Teaching Excellence Committee has received eight nominations for Teaching Excellence Awards. The nominations received thus far are from only three of the eight eligible campuses. The eligible campuses are Mills College, San Francisco State University, Santa Clara University, Stanford University, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Santa Cruz, and the University of the Pacific. **Information about nominations and the nomination form as well are available at www.pbknca.org/teaching/ or by calling me at (650) 851-0137 if you don't have web access.**

Narcinda Lerner, Teaching Excellence Chair

Upcoming Events

Here is a reminder about our enrollment, refund and cancellation policies. Most events can accommodate you and any friends or family you'd like to bring along. Occasionally an event will have a limited enrollment, in which case we may not be able to accommodate more than one member and one guest per enrollment. As for refunds, if you call in advance they may be available unless ΦBKNCA will lose scholarship money — that is, unless we are financially committed, based on your enrollment, to an organization at which the event will be held. If we can find someone to fill your space, we may be able to refund your payment, but that is not always possible. Members who do not come to an event for which they have registered will not receive a refund. The ΦBKNCA Board is most grateful to those who prefer to donate the program fee to the scholarship program in lieu of a refund. Directions are available from the event websites, Google.com, your GPS, or on the day of the event, by calling Judy at (707) 696-9498.

Rosie the Riveter & WWII Home Front National Historical Park – Thursday, September 16, 2010



One of America's newest historical parks, **Rosie the Riveter & WWII Home Front National Historical Park** is right in our own backyard. While we all know the stories about Rosie, our visit to and ranger-led tour of the park will give us the "nuts and bolts" (pun intended) behind the myths and legends of this fascinating effort which took place during World War II.

The Rosie the Riveter Memorial in Richmond's Marina Bay Park is fully accessible and open year round, dawn to dusk, as are the other Richmond city parks within the National Park's boundaries. The ship, *SS Red Oak Victory*, was built in the Kaiser Shipyards and is located in Historic Shipyard #3 in the Port of Richmond. For those of us who collect them, a National Park PASSPORT STAMP STATION is on the Ship. **Be aware that the ship has a steep gangplank, and is not fully accessible.**

Website: www.sredoakvictory.com/contact.htm

For Rosie see: www.nps.gov/rori/index.htm

Date: Thursday, September 16, 2010

Time: tour starts at 1:30 pm; be at location no later than 1:10 pm

Minimum: 12. **Maximum:** 15

Deadline: September 1, 2010

Fee: \$10

Location: I 580 to Canal Blvd exit; continue to 1337 Canal Blvd., Berth 6A or via GPS: Latitude: 37.904791622, Longitude: -122.36429328

Chocolate Fest! Saturday – October 9, 2010



Chocoholics beware! This event is being held on Saturday so that those of us still gainfully employed can participate. The Chocolate Tour we did last year in San Francisco was great and we're hoping to top that this year when we visit the Belmont Congrega-

tional Church where we will be able to sample the wares of some 20 different vendors of chocolate, including their ice cream, gelato, brownies, cakes, cookies, truffles & candy of every sort as well as chunks of pure chocolate. And, in addition to all the chocolate, we'll enjoy free champagne and coffee, plus the atmosphere provided by the Michael Medwid Jazz Trio. There are also a chocolate boutique and prizes. This is a charitable event benefitting community programs such as Samaritan House, Second Harvest Food Bank, Interfaith Hospitality Network.

Website: www.uccbmont.org/events.html

Date: Saturday, October 9, 2010

Time: 1:30 to 4:00 pm

Minimum: 10. **Maximum:** none

Deadline: September 10, 2010

Fee: \$20

Directions to the Congregational Church of Belmont, 751 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont, CA, 22 miles south of San Francisco on the Peninsula.

From Highway 101, take Ralston Avenue west to Alameda de las Pulgas. Turn right on Alameda and go about 1/4 mile. We're on the right side of Alameda opposite the kiosk on the top of the hill.

From Interstate 280, go east on Highway 92 to Ralston Avenue. Go left on Ralston to Alameda and turn left.

Customized Wine Tasting Event at Thomas Fogarty Winery--Saturday, November 6, 2010



What began as a pastime is today the Thomas Fogarty Winery and Vineyard, one of the San Francisco Peninsula's most respected wineries. A Stanford Cardiovascular Surgeon and world-renowned inventor, Thomas Fogarty took up home-winemaking in the early 1970's in a small cabin on the current winery site. He planted his first grapes in 1978, and in 1981 established a commercial winery in the historic grape growing region of the Santa Cruz Mountains.

Twenty-five acres of Burgundian-style varietals are planted on the 325 acre estate, focusing on Chardonnay and Pinot Noir and small lots of Merlot and Sangiovese. The winery property, located directly west of Palo Alto and Stanford University, sits on Skyline Blvd. at a 2000-foot elevation. The long, cool growing season and excellent sun exposure provide an ideal climate for these grape varieties. Dr. Fogarty's vision is to produce high quality, character-filled wines which take full advantage of the unique soil and climate of this appellation.

Our visit to the winery is customized for Phi Beta Kappa members and their guests and will include a more detailed and in-depth wine-tasting experience

with wines specially selected to accompany the program which explores the history and operation of this extraordinary winery.

Website: www.fogartywinery.com/

Date: Saturday, November 6, 2010

Time: 11:00 am

Minimum: 12

Maximum: 26

Deadline: October 6, 2010

Fee: \$17 per person

Directions: Thomas Fogarty Winery is located on the east side of Highway 35 (Skyline Blvd.), 4.5 miles south of Highway 84 (Woodside Rd.) and 2.7 miles north of Page Mill Road. **Very Important:** Do not use GPS, Google, Yahoo maps or Mapquest as they tend to send you up winding roads. **Use the following directions:** From I 280 (North or South), take Hwy 84 exit (Woodside) driving west toward the mountains. Continue through Woodside & up the mountain. The road becomes narrow, steep & winding. At the intersection of Hwy 35, make a sharp left onto Skyline Blvd. (Alice's Restaurant will be on the far right corner) Drive 4.5 miles; the winery will be on the left opposite the turn-off for the Yerba Buena Nursery.

Holiday Tour of Dunsmuir Mansion, Oakland – Saturday, December 4, 2010



Our holiday tour is to one of the gems of the Bay Area. Dunsmuir's volunteers will have worked more than 5,000 hours to transform this 16,000 sq.ft. mansion into a magnificent masterpiece of an Edwardian holiday display. Each room will be decorated with elegant holiday trees, garlands, antique furnishings, and festive decorations. Our visit is a self-guided tour of approximately 45 minutes, and while the grounds are open from 11

am to 5 pm, our actual tour of the mansion will begin promptly at 1 pm. Our tickets include the scheduled mansion visit, access to the Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate grounds and activities, and the gift shop. Note: carpooling suggested; limited parking on street or possibly on the grounds for a fee.

Website www.dunsmuir.org/

Date: Saturday, December 4, 2010

Time: 1 pm

Minimum: 10

Maximum: 20

Deadline: November 10, 2010

Fee: \$16.00 per person

Directions to Main Entrance from I 580:

From San Francisco, Marin, Berkeley or Walnut Creek:

Take 580 East towards Hayward. Exit at 106th Ave./Foothill Blvd. Make three left turns at the three stop signs. Drive under freeway and turn right onto Peralta Oaks Dr. Follow signs to Dunsmuir.

From Livermore/Pleasanton & Hayward/Castro Valley, San Jose and South Bay Area:

Take 580 West towards Oakland. Exit Foothill/MacArthur Blvd. Move into the right lane as you drive under the freeway and continue right onto Foothill Blvd. Make a right turn at the next stop sign onto 106th Ave. Drive under freeway and turn right onto Peralta Oaks Dr. Follow signs to Dunsmuir.

**ΦBKNCA 25th Annual Asilomar Conference
Presidents' Day Weekend, February 18-21, 2011. Deadline December 1, 2010.**



Next year's program is already outstanding. So far four speakers have accepted our invitation to participate in our Asilomar Conference, February. 18-21, 2011. Don't miss this great event. Send in the form on page 8, along with your deposit, now.

Dr. Ben Santer of the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) will address us on the subject of Global Warming. Dr. Santer is responsible for a complete chapter in the government's latest encyclopedic report and is very knowledgeable about the experimental evidence for, and the implications of, global warming. This past year Dr. Santer was heavily involved in meeting with Congress and was unable to share his expertise with us. That's all in the past.

Dr. Ed Moses, the director of the National Ignition Facility at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory will come and explain in some detail

what it is (the best, great hope in the field of laser fusion), what has been accomplished so far this year and where they plan to go in the future.

Jane Lindsey, President of the California Genealogical Society, and Lafayette resident, will give a practical "how to" talk on preserving as well as tracing your family history, illustrating that genealogy is not just for genealogists! Bring your questions for her!

Ranger Roxanne will again lead a tour of the facility on Monday morning with ever new and interesting insights into Julia Morgan, the architect of Asilomar.

Don't miss this great event. Send the form from page 8, along with your deposit, now.

For more information and to send us your suggestions for additional speakers, contact Cal Wood, Asilomar Chair
(925) 447-8666
calandix@comcast.net

Coupons

Please print legibly and print name of tour on check as well. **No acknowledgments will be sent.** If you subsequently can't make an event, others may be waiting. Kindly notify Judy Hardardt: home (530) 297-7150. On the day of the event, cell (707) 696-9498.

Rosie the Riveter & WWII Home Front National Historical Park

Thursday, September 16, 2010, 1:30 pm
Deadline Wednesday, September 1, 2010
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Phi Beta Kappa at Asilomar February 18-21, 2011

Deadline for Reservations: December 1, 2010

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