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It is time to renew your membership in ΦBKNCA. Please take a moment to fill out the enclosed membership envelope and send it back with your check, or now even more easily, pay dues *via* PayPal using your own PayPal account or credit card at www.payments.pbknca.org/, or by scanning the QR code above with your Smartphone.

Membership benefits:

- All contributions are **fully tax-deductible**. Membership runs for the full year January 1 to December 31, 2013; no more requests for money until this time next year!
- Access to the new ΦBK Northern California LinkedIn group.
- **Monthly events*** with other Phi Betes and guests. We try to provide you with a good mix of activities such as docent-led tours at our many area museums, visits to historic sites, wineries, gardens, shows and even more. Past examples include live theater at Cinnabar Theater in Petaluma, A Halloween Special; tours of AT&T Park, the Marine Mammal Rescue Center, the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, Holiday Traditions at Filoli, and the Ruth Bancroft Garden. (See [pages 5 - 7](#) for upcoming events).
- **Presidents' Day Weekend (Feb 15-18) conference at Asilomar Conference Center*** (near Monterey), featuring interesting lectures, good food, great company, walks on the beach, and historic building tours. (This event is described on [page 2](#).)
- Tours outside the United States. Our Association now offers events outside the country. Not only have we enjoyed the opportunity to have a Burt Wolf-led tour of Paris, but we have cruised with him from Lyon to Arles, France. A [cruise of Spain and Portugal is being planned for next year*](#).
- **Awards for excellent scholars** - last year's contributions provided ten \$5,000 scholarships ([See page 4](#)).
- **Excellence-in-Teaching awards to professors** nominated by their ΦBK students ([See page 4](#)).
- **Annual Awards Banquet May 5, 2012***, where you can meet this coming year's scholarship and teaching award recipients.
- **A newsletter** four times a year (snail or email, your choice) listing events, awards, and more.

* There is a charge for these events.

Membership is open to anyone who has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa at any school in any state.

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**ΦBKNCA 27th Annual Asilomar Conference, Pacific Grove, CA
Presidents' Day Weekend, February 15-18, 2013. Deadline December 1, 2012**



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

We are currently in the process of confirming speakers for the 2013 event, and the weekend promises a slate of provocative and lively speakers, including the following. For more information and updates see our website at www.asilomar.pbknca.org/

1. Back by popular demand, Ranger Roxann Jacobus will guide us through the grounds and buildings of Asilomar. She has spent many years researching the works of Julia Morgan, especially as they pertain to Asilomar. She leads a fascinating and enlightening tour that is a delight to everyone – those of us who have shared it with her many times in the past – as well as those who still regret having missed her talk in the past!

2. Dr. Keith Porter: a specialist in seismic vulnerability and earthquake risk models teaches Civil, Environmental and Architectural Engineering at the University of Colorado, Boulder.

3. Vanessa Raditz: From Political Rhetoric to Logistical Reality; How Clinics for the Underserved are Adjusting to the Challenges and Opportunities of the Affordable Care Act

Vanessa is a recent ΦBK grad from Smith College, and current intern at Petaluma Community Clinic. Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) in California and across the country are experiencing federal and state healthcare reform; she will give some examples of how local clinics are meeting these new challenges.

4. Sharon J. Roe: Arts of Afghanistan, Yesterday and Today

Sharon Roe, docent and lecturer at the San Francisco Asian Art Museum, will speak to us about the artistic traditions and practices of Afghanistan, and help us see how they are situated in the larger context of Afghan history and culture.

5. Dr. Joel Rudinow: The Spiritual Roots of the Blues

Joel is a blues pianist whose credits include touring with Elvin Bishop and release of his own CD, *Rude Notes Galore*. His presentation will share his unique perspective on the blues – perhaps peppered with lively demonstrations of the blues rhythms he loves to explore.

More speakers are now being scheduled, and will be announced on the web. However, as those of you who have attended our conference well know, the speakers are just one part of the experience. What makes the weekend special (besides the always gorgeous ocean setting just south of Monterey, of course) is the opportunity to get to know and mingle with our extraordinary members. See our website at www.pbknca.org/asilomar.phi.beta.kappa.pbk.htm for more details.

Registration is \$100 per person (mostly tax-deductible, it covers our conference expenses and boosts our scholarship fund) paid directly to ΦBKNCA. Housing and meals for the three nights and four days are handled separately by Asilomar (approximately \$460 per person, double occupancy). We will send you that information when you register.

Sign up now. Send your deposit along with the form located [here](#). For more details, watch the website, or contact Deirdre Frontczak, Asilomar Chair, 707-546-4238, dfrontczak@santarosa.edu.

Deirdre Frontczak, Asilomar Chair

From the President

It's time to renew your membership in Phi Beta Kappa Northern California Association. This year again, in addition to being "green" by receiving your newsletter *via* email, you can pay your dues online, too! Our Membership VP Alex Harding will be happy to receive your dues *via* PayPal, using your own PayPal account or credit card. I hope you will use the enclosed envelope or log on to www.payments.pbknca.org today to continue your membership. Our membership year is January-December. If you paid at any time during 2012, you'll need to contribute now for 2013 to continue membership.

Every membership contribution is totally tax-deductible, so please be generous. We fund Graduate Student scholarships and Teaching Excellence awards through your donations; the more money we receive, the more we can give to worthy candidates. Φ BKNCA does NOT receive any funds from The Phi Beta Kappa Society in Washington, D.C., and a donation to them does not confer membership in our Association.

As an active (dues-paying) member, you'll be able to enjoy monthly activities in various sites around the Bay Area. Check the list in this newsletter on [pages 5-7](#) and sign up for one or more. You'll meet other Φ BK members and visit interesting and unusual places in our own backyard. Consider joining us over Presidents' Weekend (15-18 February 2013) at Asilomar for our annual retreat. Good company, fascinating speakers, beautiful scenery: what more could anyone want? See page 2 above for more details. And now you will be eligible to join us in our own [LinkedIn group](#).

This is the time to nominate a teacher who was instrumental in your development for the Φ BKNCA Teaching Excellence Award of 2013. [See page 4](#).

I look forward to meeting you at one of our activities, so I may thank you personally for supporting Φ BKNCA. Without our loyal members, we are nothing.

Go Green — Get the Φ BK Newsletter Online

Help us go green by signing up for the Φ BKNCA newsletter online. Simply put a checkmark in the box on the membership form and give us your email address or **Go to www.pbknca.org/1010 to sign up now.**

Mary Turner Gilliland, President

Why switch?

Nearly half of our members have!

Here are just a few of the benefits of a digital newsletter:

- Save the Association a lot of money for scholarships-\$2500 if everyone switched!
- Earlier delivery than the printed edition
- Download anytime, read anywhere
- Paperless, clutter-free archiving
- Save trees and landfills
- Adjustable font size for easy reading
- Advanced search capacity
- Live links within the newsletter and to web content
- Full-color pictures

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We Have Started a LinkedIn Page Just for Our Members

Watch your email for information on how to join us on LinkedIn. Our group, "PBK, Northern California", is restricted to members of the Northern California Association, so you will know with whom you correspond. I have to verify each member manually, so please email me at liaison@pbknca.org if you requested to join the group and feel that I've taken too long to process the request.

Melissa Getz, Chapter Liaison Chair

Scholarship Awards - Your dues and contributions go mainly to scholarships

Due to space limitations, the full text of the scholarship awards cannot fit here; the full text appears on the web at www.pbknca.org/scholarship.winners.phi.beta.kappa.pbk.htm



Samuel
Bockenbauer



Robert Judson



John Lambert



Rebecca
Munson



Jason Nagata



Micha Rahder

In fulfillment of its mission to encourage scholarship and research, the Phi Beta Kappa Northern California Association is honoring the following outstanding Phi Beta Kappa graduate students with \$5000 scholarship awards to assist them in completing their educational objectives:



Elizabeth Boatman, recipient of the Elizabeth B. Reed Scholarship, describes her work as a materials scientist who is studying fossil bones.

Elizabeth (Liz) Boatman, UC Berkeley, Materials Science & Engineering
([Elizabeth B. Reed Awardee](#))

Samuel Bockenbauer, Stanford, Physics

Jocelyn Chin†, Stanford, Medicine

Brooke Gardner†, UC San Francisco, Molecular Biology

Robert Judson, UC San Francisco, Biomedical Sciences

Abigail (Aby) Kirchofer†, Stanford, Earth Energy & Environmental Sciences

John Lambert, UC Davis, Anthropology

Rebecca Munson, UC Berkeley, English

Jason Nagata, UC San Francisco, Medicine

Micha Rahder, UC Santa Cruz, Anthropology

†Was not able to attend the May 6 Award Dinner

Joanne Sandstrom, Second Vice President, Scholarship

Teaching Excellence Nominations Due November 30, 2012

Now is the time to nominate a teacher who was instrumental in your development for the Φ BKNCA Teaching Excellence Award. Nominations for the May 2013 Teaching Excellence Awards close on November 30, 2012. The nomination form is available on our website, www.pbknca.org/teaching/, and can be sent directly to Narcinda Lerner from there.

Phi Beta Kappa is dedicated to the cultivation of scholarship, and we know that we would not have great scholars if we did not have great teacher/scholars. Unfortunately, in the present political climate teachers have been the targets of a great deal of unjustified criticism. This hardly encourages young people to go into teaching, nor does it encourage those in the profession to continue – especially since the best of them can

always go off and do something else. **One small thing that each of us can do to encourage the best in teaching is to nominate an excellent teacher for an award.**

Keenly aware of the great worth of learning and of the extraordinary gifts, diligence, and amplitude of spirit that mark the best in teaching, the Phi Beta Kappa Northern California Association conferred its 2012 Teaching Excellence Awards upon these distinguished teachers:



Mary Judith Dunbar
Department of English,
Santa Clara University



Kerry A. Enright
School of Education,
University of California,
Davis



Cynthia Ostberg
Department of Political
Science, University of the
Pacific



Amy Randall
Department of History,
Santa Clara University

Narcinda Lerner, Teaching Excellence Chair

Upcoming Events

Be sure to read this important information 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. Refunds may be available unless Φ BKNCA 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 Φ BKNCA Board is most grateful to those who prefer to donate the program fee to the scholarship program in lieu of a refund. You will not receive written confirmation of your reservation for the events. Directions are given below and are also available from the event websites, Google.com, your GPS, or on the day of the event, by calling Judy at (707) 696-9498.

Tour of the Oakland Aviation Museum – Saturday, January 19, 2013



From the early days of aviation until the start of World War II, the Oakland Airport was one of America's most significant airports. The Aviation Museum includes in its displays aircraft from the Wright Brothers Model EX to the Short Brothers Solent MKIII, the "flying boat". We will enjoy a docent-led tour of the Museum and learn the ins and outs of these early days of aviation. We will get a chance to appreciate where we started and how our aircraft developed over the years.

Date: Saturday, January 19, 2013

Time: 11:00 am

Minimum: 10

Maximum: 30

Deadline: January 5, 2013

Fee: \$12.00

Directions: The museum is located at 8252 Earhart Road, Bldg. 621 in Oakland. From 880 North and South, take the Hegenberger Road exit to Doolittle Drive. Stay in the right lane, crossing over Doolittle. Go under the Oakland International Airport banner and take the first exit on the right where the Earhart Road and Air Museum signs are visible. Follow Earhart Road approximately 7/8 mile to the Museum, right across from Hangar 6.

<http://www.oaklandaviationmuseum.org/>

We Return to Mare Island – Wednesday, March 27, 2013



At the special request by many ΦBKNCA members, we will be returning to historic Mare Island for a docent-led visit. Our tour will include St. Peter's Chapel with its Tiffany stained glass windows, the Mare Island Artifact Museum, the Admiral's mansion, and the Colonial Revival era Officers' Row mansions. We will also be able to check out the dry docks along the waterfront of Mare Island Strait.

A bit of history: David Glasgow Farragut founded the Mare Island Shipyard in 1854 and the Navy closed the yard in 1996. During the active period, over 500 ships, including nuclear submarines, were built at Mare Island Naval Shipyard.

Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2013
Time: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
Minimum: 12 (lunch is available but we must have at least 16 members/guests signing up)
Maximum: 30
Deadline: February 6, 2013
Fee: \$16.00
Directions: Detailed directions are available at http://www.mareislandhpf.org/img/museum_dir.pdf

ΦBKNCA Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner - Sunday, May 5, 2013



It is never too early to ask you to put this coming year's ΦBKNCA Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner on your calendars!

Our meeting next May will be held from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm at The Faculty Club on the campus of UC Berkeley. As you are aware, the annual meeting is the occasion when we celebrate ΦBKNCA's primary mission and award the scholarships and teaching excellence

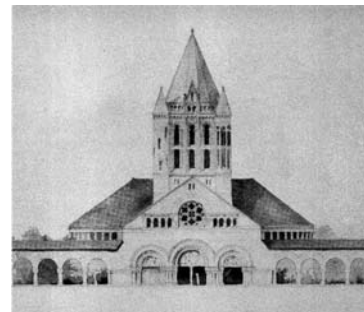
awards to deserving scholars and professors, with the objectives of enhancing the scholars' educational and research activities and honoring professors for their teaching of our next generation.

For those of you who have not been able to come to the Annual Dinner before, we encourage you to do so. In meeting some of these outstanding honorees and learning about their academic interests (as well as renewing old friendships and perhaps getting more involved in our vibrant organization, ΦBKNCA), you will be able to more fully appreciate the value of the programs we offer throughout the year, the funds generated through the Asilomar conferences, the many monthly events and the direct contributions you make!

Enjoy the food, the wine and, best of all, the fellowship of kindred spirits.

Social hour begins at 4:00 pm with a cash bar; dinner, which includes white or red house wine, will be served at 5:00 pm. Coffee and tea will be served with dessert.

Date: Sunday, May 5, 2013
Deadline: Wednesday, April 11, 2013
Time: 4-8 pm
Price: To Be Determined but will be per person and includes tax, gratuity & parking.



Save the Date!
Saturday, June 8, 2013

While it is not definite right now, we are working on setting up a special architectural history tour at Stanford University. Since the group size is limited to 20, if you are interested, please let me know right away either via email (hardardtj@comcast.net) or snail mail (Judy Hardardt, PO Box 2038, Davis CA 95617) and I will hold a place for you and whoever you'd like to bring as guests.

As soon as the folks at Stanford decided on the 2013 schedule, they have promised to let me know and then we can firm up the details. The tour may

also, if time allows, include a visit to the Stanford Medical History Center to see the reading room, learn about the resources and services they offer and see some of the treasures of their rare book collection.

All in all, this promises to be a very special day.

The Stanford Historical Society has a very interesting booklet, available at:
http://histsoc.stanford.edu/pdfST/ST11no2_3.pdf

Coupons

Please print legibly and print name of tour on check as well. **No acknowledgements will be sent.**

If you subsequently can't make an event, others may be waiting. Kindly notify
 Judy Hardardt: home (530) 297-7150; cell, day of event (707) 696-9498.

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Mare Island
 Wednesday, March 27, 2013 11:00 am
 Deadline February 6, 2013
 # Attending _____ x \$16.00 per person = \$ _____
 (Check payable to PBKNCA- Enter name of tour on check)
 Member(s) _____
 Address _____

 Phone _____
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 Guest name(s) _____
 Mail coupon and payment to:
 Judy Hardardt, PO Box 2038, Davis CA 95617

Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner
 Sunday, May 5, 2013, 4 – 8 pm
 Deadline April 11, 2013
 # Attending _____ Price to be determined, but make
 your reservation now anyhow. You know you want to come!
 Dinner selection:
 # Chicken _____
 # Meat _____
 # Seafood _____
 # Vegetarian _____
 Member(s) _____
 Address _____

 Phone _____
 E-mail _____
 Guest name(s) _____
 Mail coupon and payment to:
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Oakland Aviation Museum
 Saturday, January 19, 2013 11:00 am
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Important membership renewal information
Open immediately

Note – Please do not return this form if you have already paid a deposit.

ΦBK at Asilomar February 15-18, 2013

Deadline for Reservations: December 1, 2012

Registration fee: # Attending _____ x \$100/person= \$ _____

Please make checks payable to PBKNCA

Mail to

Deirdre Frontczak, 461 Cahill Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Questions? Call 707 546-4238

Member Name(s): _____

Guest Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone #(s): _____

Email: _____

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I am willing to offer a ride to _____ person(s).

I would like to obtain a ride for _____ person(s).