

Bowles Hall Alumni Association News

Ut Tibi Sic Alteri

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WELCOME

Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Bowles Hall Alumni Newsletter. It is being published under the sponsorship of the Bowles Hall Alumni Association to keep present and past Bowlesmen informed on issues of interest to the Hall and continue the fellowship we enjoyed during our years at the Hall.

Our letter will be published four times a year by email and US Mail to those without email service. Most importantly, we depend on material you send in to keep this letter interesting.



Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association will join us in resisting this effort.

We have established relationships with other parties and appreciate their support for restoring the environment and facility intended by Mrs. Mary Bowles and President Robert Gordon Sproul. We are encouraged that more support from our “community partners” will be forthcoming.

This may seem like a thin report on our activities, but sensitive discussions are currently in progress, and the situation changes weekly. Whenever any of you want a current status report,

please call Bob Sayles personally at 916-851-0250.

We especially appreciate the support of you, our Bowles Hall alumni. Your membership and financial support is an indication of our shared appreciation for our Bowles Hall experiences and the lifelong friendships formed there. Your suggestions, phone calls, emails and participation in our activities are strong indications of your desire to restore the Bowles Hall experience and building. If you haven’t joined the BHAA, or renewed your membership yet, please do so. The breadth and depth of our association, and the shared passion expressed by many, has clearly caused the UCB Administration to seriously view our efforts and recommendations.

My special appreciation goes to the group of alums who are able to be very active in our efforts. We have assembled an amazing array of experience to address the complex issues before us. Special recognition goes to **Larry Peirano** (‘51), **John Heilbron** (‘55), **John Edginton** (‘57), **Bob Patterson** (‘51) and **Paul Larson** (‘52) for their tireless support, ready availability and proactivity.

Finally, I urge all of you to join us for our Pre-Big Game Dinner on Friday, December 1, 2006 at the DoubleTree Conference Center in the Berkeley Marina. This is a continuation of a Bowles tradition began in 1950.

President’s Report

Your Bowles Hall Alumni Association is making progress in dealing with the UCB Administration in our quest to restore the Hall to the model that Mrs. Bowles intended, and from which we benefited (self-governed, 4 year residence, physically restored, etc.).

Your letters to Chancellor Birgeneau have inspired him to appoint Vice Chancellor McQuade to act on his behalf to ensure that our recommendations are seriously considered, and in fact Vice Chancellor McQuade (University Relations) has been very helpful. We expect to meet next with Vice Chancellor Padilla (Student Affairs) in this month of September to discuss our analyses of the reasons for the decline of the Hall, and propose specific a program to restore the Hall to a place where “Education Through Fellowship” will be fostered.

We last met with Dean Campbell (Haas School of Business) on August 23, and while he is guarded in sharing info with us, it is clear that Bowles Hall is Haas’ first choice for its Executive Conference Center. However, there are several serious, unresolved problems in locating this facility at Bowles. The EIR is scheduled to be released for public comment in April 2007, so this will be a long campaign. We believe that the City of Berkeley Landmark Preservation Commission and the

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Thank you for the opportunity to work with you to achieve our noble cause. **Bob Sayles** ('52)

BOARD REPORT

Our Alumni Association (BHAA) met on June 17 at **Larry Peirano's** home in Lafayette. The board handled the typical business of the Treasurers' report (we're solvent), membership report (more are joining), the interim replacement of a resigning board member (welcome **Lionel Engelman**), accepting the slate for the upcoming mail (male?) election, and arrangements for the Big Game Dinner.

We went on to discuss our Big Game dinner. See the note below on its arrangements. **Bill Ragsdale** presented a plan for a simple email newsletter for the next few months to be followed by a more formal version once the graphics and format are completed. Bill has started a Bowles Hall alumni web site. See the note below.

Our last major business item concerned a goal of returning the Hall to providing housing for multiple years of residency. For the last several years Bowles Hall has been limited to one-year residency for entering students. Men on a Regent's Scholarship could continue more than one-year. This has meant only about five upperclassmen were able to continue for more than one year. The effect has been a reduction in the ability for upper division Bowlesmen to assist and coach new Cal students in their academic and social pursuits.

Your Association is working toward the goal of having the Hall offer four years of assured residence joined with gaining significant academic achievement. More on this topic will follow, as it is a major concern to the Association.

A telephonic board meeting was held on August 26, 2006. We received reports on the recent election of Board members, membership growth, finance, banner replacement and the Reunion in December. President Sayles presented a detailed review of the efforts of your Association toward for restoring the four-year Bowles Hall experience. The process is quite complex as many Berkeley entities are involved including the Haas Business School, Chancellors Office, Housing Office, City of Berkeley and several historic building groups.

EVENTS

Big Game Dinner

Once again the Bowles alums will gather to celebrate our heritage, refresh our friendships, break bread together, enjoy adult beverages, sing a few Cal songs, meet today's Bowlesmen and hail our alma mater. This year's event is scheduled for Friday night, December 1,

2006, to be held at the DoubleTree Hotel & Executive Meeting Center Berkeley Marina, 200 Marina Blvd., Berkeley CA 94710. Time to mark your calendar and make your plans!

Garry Holman ('74) is Chairman of this year's event. No-host cocktail service will begin at 5:00 pm in the Bay Lounge. The Quarter Deck room will open at 6:30 pm, with dinner service to begin at 7:00 pm. Make your dinner reservations now, using the enclosed reservation form.

As the Big Game is Saturday at Noon to meet TV broadcast requirements, we had a difficult time arranging a reasonable time for our dinner after the Game. So we are trying a night before event, which will give us a full, social evening.

Following dinner, we will hold a brief Annual Meeting of the Bowles Hall Alumni Association, and bring you up to date on our progress towards restoring the undergraduate residential experience that we all enjoyed at the Hall.

The Doubletree Hotel has offered special rates of \$109.00/night, plus local taxes and fees, for Friday Dec. 1 and/or Saturday Dec. 2, 2006, **on a first-come, first serve basis**. By calling 800-243-0625 or 800-222-8733, and identifying yourself as part of the Bowles Hall Alumni Association (Code BHA), you can make your reservations. **Reservations at these rates after Nov. 1, 2006 will be on an as-available basis only.**

This event has been held annually since 1965, sponsored by the Bowles Alumni in the 1949-1953 range. Recently they have broadened their scope and Bowlesmen of all years have been attending. The event alternates between Berkeley and Palo Alto coincident with the Big Game venue.

Leadership Team

In July, BHAA completed its annual election of Directors to fill the expired terms of 4 Directors. We had an astounding 77% (95 valid ballots) participation, electing **Charlie Johnson** ('88), **Garry Holman** ('74), **Bill Ragsdale** ('62) and **Alexei Vranich** ('91) to two-year terms commencing July 1, 2006. Congratulations to all!

Your Board of Directors now represents every decade from the 1950s to the present. This includes the soon-to-be-elected President of the Bowles Hall Association, who is an ex-officio member of the BHAA BOD. **Reuben Smith** ('51) and **Paul Larson** ('52) both Co-founders of BHAA, elected not to stand for reelection. Reuben and Paul will continue to be actively involved in the leadership of our Association, and we thank them for their past service.

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At its August 26, 2006 meeting, your Board of Directors elected the following officers, to serve for the coming year (through June 30, 2007):

President: **Bob Sayles** ('52) Gold River, CA
Vice President: **Bill Ragsdale** ('62) Woodland, CA
Treasurer/CFO: **Lionel Engelman** CPA ('66) Hillsborough, CA
Secretary/Counsel: **John Edginton** ('57) Berkeley, CA

We thank them for their past service in our inaugural year, and congratulate them on their reelection. Continuity of leadership is important at this critical time.

Our Leadership Team now consists of:

Joe Angello ('54) Sacramento CA. Historical Architect; **President BHA**, Ex-officio Member BHAA BOD; **John Edginton** ('57) Berkeley CA. Lawyer. BHAA Secretary/Counsel. Member BHAA BOD. Ambassador to City of Berkeley and Berkeley Architectural Heritage Assn.; **Lionel Engelman** CPA ('66) Hillsborough, CA. President Engleman Accountancy Corp., BHAA Treasurer/CFO, Member BHAA BOD; **John Heilbron** ('55) Oxford, UK. Retired The Vice Chancellor UCB, Advisor BHAA BOD; **Garry Holman** ('74) Antioch CA, Nuclear Engineer, Member BHAA BOD. Big Game Dinner; **Charlie Johnson** ('88) NYC, NY, VP Goldman Sachs. Member BHAA BOD, BHAA Fund Raising; **Paul Larson** ('52) Concord CA, Retired VP Chevron, Ambassador to BHA; **Bob Patterson** ('51) Bakersfield CA, Retired Trial Lawyer; **Larry Peirano** ('51) Lafayette CA, Ret. Ch./CTO Kennedy Jenks Consultants. Member BHAA BOD; **Chris Proud** ('88) Berkeley, CA, Entrepreneur, Proud Data, Ambassador to BHA; **Bill Ragsdale** ('62) Woodland CA. Retired Entrepreneur, VP BHAA. Member BHAA BOD; **Bob Sayles** ('52) Gold River CA Retired IBM executive, Pres. BHAA, Member BHAA BOD; **Reuben W. Smith** ('51) Stockton CA. Ret. Dean Graduate School University of Pacific. Historian; **Alexei Vranich** ('91) Philadelphia, PA. Prof. Anthropology Univ. PA, Member BHAA BOD.

Help Wanted! We currently have two leadership roles to fill: (1) Chairman of the Membership Team. Should be computer literate. Does not need to be located in the Bay Area. Bob Sayles is currently acting in the role. (2) Chairman History and Traditions Team. We want to chronicle the history and traditions of the Hall. Interaction with the Bancroft Library and on-line research will be necessary. Restoration of historical artifacts (e.g. scrapbooks, sign-in books, plaques, trophies, etc.) will probably be involved, as well as collection of oral history from members of the Bowles and Hart families and BHAA members. 32 BHAA

members have indicated an interest in this issue, and need leadership. **Reuben Smith** ('51) PhD History, has participated in our efforts to date, and will continue to consult as required with this Team.

If you have an interest in filling either of these positions, please contact Bob Sayles at 916-851-0250 or r.sayles@comcast.net.

Ours is an open and participative Association. You are all welcome to become actively involved. Those of us that are so involved have reaped the benefits of advancing our noble cause, getting reacquainted with people not seen for many years, and meeting new Bowles alums and community leaders with an acute interest in reestablishing the Bowles Hall experience and preserving the Hall. It's easy to get involved—contact **Bob Sayles**.

PROJECTS

Bowles Hall Alumni Website

Your Association now has a web site in order that we may keep better in touch and capture the flavor of the Hall and its history. The site is at <http://BowlesAlumni.editme.com>

This is a Wiki site, which means you may register and then make entries to help build the site. The intent is to help build our Association to support the current Bowlesmen and capture the history and flavor of the hall over its 78-year history.

You don't need to know the vagaries of website management. Just click on the word "Register" at the right and then enter your name and a password. You may then make additions to the existing, public pages. If you have photos to post, email them to Bill@BillRagsdale.cc for uploading.

New Bowles Hall Banner!

Many of the artifacts of the Hall's past have disappeared, including plaques, trophies, scrapbooks, sign-in books, numerous Things, and the Hall banner. We have recovered some of the scrapbooks and sign-in books, but they're not in good shape. Serious restoration will be required.

Steve Harvey ('62) has volunteered to create and finance a new banner! Actually, Steve volunteered his wife (courageous man!), a professional graphics designer, to design the banner with the Bowles family crest, and Steve will raise the funds to create a new banner and have it made. The plan is to have it ready for presentation at our Pre-Big Game Dinner on Friday, December 1. The BHAA will loan it to the Bowles Hall

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Association, and retrieve it at the end of the spring semester to relay to the next year. Hopefully, this will reduce the chances of it being “lost” during the summer months.

We send our sincere appreciation to Steve for his initiative, to his wife for her professional skills and efforts, and to the financiers of this project for making it possible.

If you would like to help this project financially contact Steve steve.harvey@biolohy.gatech.edu or 378 4th St. NE, Atlanta, GA 30308. We would like to present a replacement to the Hall in time for Big Game this fall. [See the note in Correspondence.]

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We are very encouraged by the ready response of our alums. We started recruiting members in October 2005, and ended the fiscal year (June 30, 2005) with 124 members. Not bad for a bunch of amateurs! Since July 1 2006, 77 of you have renewed your membership, and 17 new members have joined, for a total of 94 members. Our contact list was created by you—sending us the contact info for your Bowles alum friends—348 of them. However, we have recently affiliated with the Calif. Alumni Association, and will now have access to the combined CAA/UCB alumni database. So, our plan is to add new members to our Membership Team, to allow one Membership Team member per class. So, please volunteer to assist with your class. We’ll provide the contact info, you make the call, and the BHAA will reimburse you for expenses.

The size and breath of our membership is very important in dealing with the UCB Administration. We have some difficult negotiations ahead, and need all of the butt weight that we can muster! If you haven’t joined BHAA yet, or haven’t renewed your membership yet, please do so with the attached Membership Application. Thanks for your support.

Current Membership Team

The list below give the members of our Membership Team and the classes for which they are responsible: **Bob Sayles Acting Chairman, Phil Ernsberger** (‘48-51), **Jim Arbuckle** (‘53-‘59), **Richard Rice** (‘60-‘65), **Alexei Vranich** (‘88-‘94), **James Gnam** (‘97-‘00), **Max Chen** (‘06-‘07).

New Members (since July 1, 2006)

Dave Campen (‘68) Palo Alto, CA

Max Chen (‘07) Berkeley, CA
Robert Clark (‘50) Palo Alto, CA
Joe Coomes (‘54) Gold River, CA
Ron Durkee (‘50) Burlingame, CA
Del Fisher (‘50) Dana Point, CA
Bill Grafft (‘51) Santa Clara, CA
Ralph Reiner (‘68) Trinidad, CA
Andy Soderstrom (‘77) Modesto, CA
Ray Ware (‘50) Lafayette, CA

Renewed Members

Joe Angello (‘54) Sacramento, CA
Dick Aulwurm (‘50) Millbrae, CA
Hugh Barton (‘54) Carmel, CA
Jack Barnes (‘50) San Antonio, TX
Elliot Baum (‘55) Irvine, CA
Dave Benson (‘61) Palo Alto, CA
Rich Berstein (‘76) Los Angeles, CA
Larry Beyersdorf (‘62) San Diego, CA
Tom Beyersdorf (‘66) Northville, MI
Bob Bley (‘49) Stockton, CA
Robert Brady (‘64) Redwood City, CA
Fred Brauer (‘51) Richland, WA
Barry Brown (‘54) Fair Oaks, CA
Lowell Brown (‘56) Santa Fe, NM
Ted Clair (‘50) Menlo Park, CA
Jack Cooney (‘51) Boise, ID
Walt Davie (‘54) Los Angeles, CA
Walter Deardorff (‘58) Hickman, CA
Tony DeCristoforo (‘52) Sacramento, CA
Greg Delory (‘92) San Francisco, CA
Frank Dillard (‘47) Honolulu, CA
John Edginton (‘57) Berkeley, CA
Robert Ekedahl (‘58) Menlo Park, CA
Gary Elgaaen (‘58) Danville, CA
Lionel Engelman (‘66) Hillsborough, CA
James Erman (‘62) Elburn, IL
Phil Ernsberger (‘50) Phoenix, AZ
Jim Hagerdorn (‘60) Sacramento, CA
Steve Harvey (‘62) Atlanta, GA
John Heilbron (‘55) Oxford, UK
Al Hollander (‘51) Camino, CA
Maurice Holloway (‘52) San Francisco, CA
George Hurwitz (‘51) Richmond, CA
Clive Keatinge (‘82) South Amboy, NJ
Bob Klamt (‘56) Orange, CA
John Klauder (‘53) Gainesville, FL
Vic Lamb (‘58) Sonora, CA
John Leach (‘58) Del Mar, CA
Chris Lemens (‘90) Dallas, TX
Bill Macy (‘52) Fallbrook, CA
Bill McKeeman (‘56) Hollis, NH

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Norm Mineta ('53)	Edgewater, MD
Lou Mittleman ('53)	Gordonsville, VA
Karl Munz ('56)	Sacramento, CA
Dan Navon ('53)	Berkeley, CA
Warren Nordgren ('62)	Tigard, OR
Carlo Odello ('62)	Kettering, OH
Les Overstreet ('58)	Mariposa, CA
Bob Patterson ('51)	Bakersfield, CA
George Payne, DDS ('51)	Santa Rosa, CA
Larry Peirano ('51)	Lafayette, CA
Richard Perry ('77)	Oakland, CA
Phil Pister ('51)	Bishop, CA
Chris Proud ('88)	Berkeley, CA
Ralph Reiner ('68)	Trinidad, CA
Richard Rice ('62)	Idaho Falls, ID
Bob Sayles ('52)	Gold River, CA
Jon Shawl ('64)	Paradise Valley, AZ
Steve Shawl ('65)	Tucson, CA
Jason Simpson ('93)	San Antonio, TX
Dennis Slaughter ('62)	Oakland, CA
Hal Smith ('51)	Fair Oaks, CA
Harris Steiner ('52)	San Diego, CA
Charles Stice ('52)	Penn Valley, CA
Jim Van Horn ('58)	Bakersfield, CA
Peter Weck ('92)	Palo Alto, CA
John Winzler ('51)	Eureka, CA

It may be possible to find a copy of the photo in the archives of the Daily Cal, or if not, to get a copy of the paper on those two days. This should make it possible to determine the size of the banner by comparing it to the new dorm, which, I believe, still exists. If you can get the photo to **Steve Harvey**, **Dick Rice**, or **Dick Halford** -- with measurements of the dorm -- and if they still have their slide rules, I am confident that they will be able to determine the size of the banner within an RCH!

GO BEARS! **Chris Donnan** (The Kid), Class of '62

Thanks To Our Writers. Let's see your class year represented here in our next issue. Anyone can submit memories of their Hall experience or updates on your current activities. Either email news and photos anytime to <mailto:BHAA@BillRagsdale.cc>, or mail to PO Box 1500, Woodland, CA 95776.

Receive The Association News By Email

Spread the word. It's easy. Just send us a list of the email and/or US Mail addresses of your Bowles Hall classmates and send it to r.sayles@comcast.net or mail to Bob Sayles, 11785 Long Bar Court, Gold River, CA 95670.

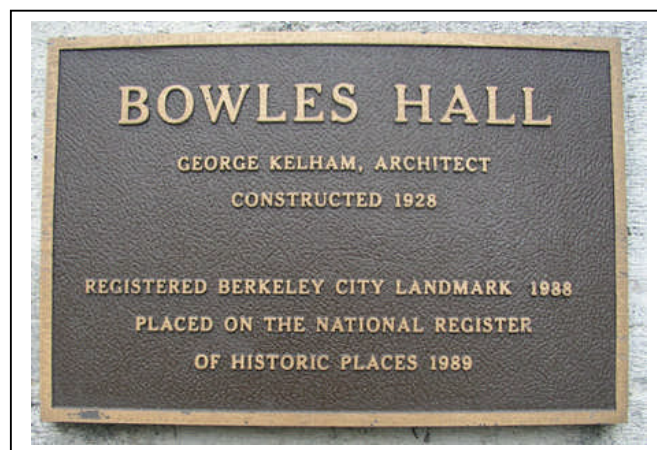
New News??

Thanks for loads of input this month. We'll again send an email request for input in late October for more Bowles Hall news. Send reports of your activities and newsworthy future events to: Bill Ragsdale (<mailto:BHAA@BillRagsdale.cc>). Thanks!

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Bob, I have just received your email in my home here on the north coast of Peru. Congratulations on all you are doing for the BHAA.

I lived in Bowles Hall between 1958 and 1962. Sometime in that span of years, our banner was stolen by some guys that were living in one of the (then) new dorms that had recently been built on South Side. They hung it out a window, or off the roof, of their dorm -- upside down! They then took a photograph of it that way, and got the picture published in the Daily Cal (on the front page as I recall). Someone from Bowles was on the staff of the Daily Cal at that time, and the next day he was able to get the paper to print a statement that the photograph the previous day had been published upside down, and so they published it again -- on the front page, with our banner right side up and the new dorm upside down!



Calendar of Events

- Oct. 22 Input due for the next issue of the Bowles Hall Alumni Association Newsletter
- Dec. 1 BHAA Annual Reunion Dinner at the DoubleTree Hotel in Berkeley.
- Dec. 2 Cal Sanford Big Game, Memorial Stadium, Kickoff 12 Noon.

**Bowles Hall Alumni Association
Membership Application 2006-2007**

Name: _____ Class _____

Address: _____

Email _____ Home phone _____

Spouse _____ Office phone _____

Occupation (if retired, last position held) _____

BHAA Dues July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007 _____

- Current undergraduates \$5.00/year
- Recent graduates (2002 to current) \$15.00/year
- All others \$25.00/year

Additional Contribution _____

Total enclosed (not tax deductible) _____

I am interested in participating in the BHAA in the following areas:

UCB Administration relationships _____

BHAA membership _____

Establishing fund for long-term support of Bowles Hall _____

Working with BHAA community partners _____

Bowles Hall history and traditions _____

Bowles Hall facilities (the building) _____

Working with Bowles Hall Assn. (i.e. coaching, career counseling, etc.) _____

Communications (BHAA, press, CAA, etc.) _____

BHAA Events (Annual Meeting, Big Game Dinner) _____

Other _____

Contact information for additional Bowles Hall alums (name, class, address, phone, email)

Please make checks payable to Bowles Hall Alumni Association

Please send to Bob Sayles, 11785 Long Bar Court, Gold River, CA 95670 (916-851-0250)

Bowles Hall Alumni Association
Big Game Dinner
2006 Annual Meeting

Where: DoubleTree Hotel & Executive Meeting Center, 200 Marina Blvd., Berkeley, CA 94710.
 510-548-7920

When: Friday, December 1, 2006
 5:00 pm—No-host cocktails, Bay Lounge
 6:00 pm—Doors open, Quarter Deck Room
 7:00 pm—Dinner, Quarter Deck Room

Price: Alumni and guests: \$70.00/person
 Current UCB undergraduates: \$15.00/person

Entrée Choice: Grilled Filet of Salmon, Roasted Lemon Rosemary Chicken, Roast Prime Rib

Please list the name of attendees. In addition, we are continuing the tradition of providing an opportunity to support the participation of undergraduate Bowlesmen and alumni in our annual Big Game dinner. Last year, your generosity supported the participation of 17 students in our event, for which we and they thank you. Let's support even more this year!

Name	@Each	Salmon	Chicken	Prime Rib	Amount
Alumnus	\$70.00				
Guest	\$70.00				
Guest	\$70.00				
Guest	\$70.00				
Student	\$15.00				
Support _____ Students	\$55.00				
Total					

Please mail your reservation and check to Garry Holman, 2373 Peachtree Circle, Antioch, CA 94509-5873 (925-754-1153 or gsholman@mindspring.com).

We look forward to seeing you and your guests!

GO BEARS!

Garry