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Member Spotlight: Cecelia Kolonie

Alpha Phi senior, Cecelia Kolonie, earns this quarter’s member spotlight because of her big heart, unwavering dedication to Young Life, life guarding, academics and Alpha Phi. As a Young Life Supervisor, Cecilia commits nearly twenty hours per week to this Christian organization – where she leads meetings, mentors and ultimately makes a difference in the lives of Dos Pueblos High School students. She also volunteers her summers to Young Life camps all over the country. Cecilia explains that she selflessly commits so much of her free time because, in high school, somebody took the time to make a profound impact on her life. Cecilia’s passion and commitment to help others and her dedication to academics, friends, and work is why Alpha Phi is so proud to have her as a sister and friend.

Congratulations Cecilia for being this quarter’s “Spotlight Member”!!

To nominate a member from your chapter, email: Lindsey.greene@sa.ucsb.edu

Greeks Are Doing Great Things...

Sigma Alpha Epsilon hosted more than 50 young Isla Vista residents and their families for a Halloween Haunted House October 29th, 2006. The completely free and open event was held from 5-8 p.m. and hosted children ranging from 4-16 years old. The haunted house took members nearly two weeks to construct and included an electro chair, spider layer, mad chemist, asylum, mad kitchen and creepy hand holes. The children and families seemed to really enjoy the event, many of whom took the tour several times. The local news also aired an evening segment about the house, presenting a rather atypical picture of Halloween in Isla Vista. SAE was very pleased with the outcome and looks forward to making “SAE ScArE” an annual event.

Alpha Delta Pi held their annual Wiffle Ball Tournament Saturday, November 18th, 2006. The event, which raises money for the chapter’s national philanthropy, The Ronald McDonald House, was held at Estero Park. Greeks battled on the field all afternoon for the winners title. Congratulations to both Alpha Tau Omega as well as Alpha Phi for taking 1st place.

Sigma Nu hosted the 5th Annual Sigma Nu Relays. The weeklong sorority competition featured events such as an 80’s party at local restaurant Déjà Vu and “Bowl-O-Rama” at Zodos. The week long event held in memory of former Sigma Nu President and Relays founder, Chris McCallister who lost his life over the summer to a drunkdriver. Participants remembered McCallister with his name printed on the back of each jersey and a portion of the proceeds were donated to Mothers Against Drunk Driving. The remainder of the proceeds benefited local organization The Isla Vista Youth Project.

Panhellenic Council was able to send a child to summer camp that would otherwise not have been able to afford to go. One very special 10 year old girl attended Camp Fox for a week on Catalina Island - all expenses paid. She learned how to kayak, do archery, ropes course, hiking, tubing, fishing, and sing campfire songs - she had a great time, and continues to sing the many campfire songs that she learned. After she came back from camp there was a noticeable difference; a song in her heart and bounce in her step. Next year Panhellenic plans to send two girls to summer camp and by doing so making a difference in children’s lives, one by one. Panhellenic is taking care of their community and making a difference.

Delta Delta Delta hosted its 3rd annual surf competition, “Surf, Sand & St. Jude” with Surf Happens on Saturday, November 18th at UCSB’s own Campus Point. Sixty-five Greeks and local community members competed in the water to raise money for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.
In motivating people, you’ve got to engage their minds and their hearts. I motivate people, I hope, by example—and perhaps by excitement, by having productive ideas to make others feel involved.

- News Mogul, Rupert Murdoch
In Loving Memory of Robin Babbini

Robin Babbini was an amazing girl who touched everyone she met because of her energy, beauty, courage, and her love of life. Robin possessed all the qualities of a Kappa woman and she brought so much to our house. While battling her cancer, Robin remained active in school and in Kappa, and she even co-chaired the Relay for Life event that occurred last May. Sadly, she lost her fight with ovarian cancer last June. Our annual Kappa Dash (see right) is a way for all of us to continue celebrating her life. Robin’s memory will always hold strong in our hearts. Both Kappa Kappa Gamma and the Greek community remember Robin Babbini for her inimitable courage and strength.

“Kappa Dash: Key for the Cure”

Kappa Kappa Gamma hosted the 6th Annual “Kappa Dash: Key for the Cure”, October 21, 2006. The event, which was held in Isla Vista, included over 300 runners from both the UCSB Greek system as well as the greater Goleta/Santa Barbara community. The event successfully raised over $13,000 and included a variety of honored guests including Mayor Marty Blum. The event was covered by the Nexus, Yearbook and even the local six o’clock evening news. After the race the fun continued with a raffle, free food and award ceremony with local band, Rebelution. The event was a huge success and Kappa appreciated all the support they received from other Greek organizations, students and the community.

Recruitment Review from Taryn and Kyle

This past September, the Inter-Fraternity Council held its formal Fall Recruitment for students interested in becoming part of the Greek community at UCSB. We had a record number of students at recruitment totaling more than four hundred with over one hundred and fifty joining fraternities! All of the proceeds generated from recruitment registration fees will be donated to the Isla Vista Teens annual spring performance Nuestra Voz. For students interested in joining fraternities, the next Inter-Fraternity Council sponsored recruitment will be held in the Spring Quarter. We will keep you posted as soon as details become available. But until then, on behalf of the Inter-Fraternity Council, we would like to wish everyone a wonderful winter quarter.

- Kyle Hillstead

Putting on a successful sorority Recruitment: $3,000
Registration Fee for Potential New Members: $45

Watching Your Rho Chi burst until she collapses: PRICELESS.

I am proud to say that UCSB Panhellenic had their most successful recruitment this past fall. We were able to attract women from various different backgrounds to explore and learn about our Greek System. We registered a total of 569 women and successfully gave bids to 362. We are fortunate to have this large number of new members contribute to our Greek system. As an organization of over 1000 women, it is our goal to maintain high standards, scholarship, service, and sisterhood. Congratulations again to all of our new members!

- Taryn Schultz

Save the Date

Mark your calendars so YOU don’t miss out!

Meetings:
1.17: Risk Management
1.23: President/Advisor
2.28: All Greek Workshop

Philanthropies:
2.11 KAΘ Kickball
2.24: AXΩ Billiards
3.7 ΓΦΒ Casino Night

Holidays/Events:
2.14: Valentines Day
3.7-3.10: Greek Week
3.7 Faculty Dinner
3.8 Spirit Day
3.9 Zodo’s Bowling
3.10 Charity Concert
3.12-3.16 Dead Week
3.17 St. Patrick’s Day
3.25-4.1: Spring Break

Robin Babbini 1986-2006 Kappa Kappa Gamma
Meet Your Greek Affairs Staff...

Many of you, particularly new Greeks might not be familiar with our staff here at the Office of Student Life. The staff consists of seven individuals; Stephan Franklin (Greek Director), Carola Alden (Assistant Director), Coleen Sears (Student Organization Accountant), Angie Tozier (Assistant Judicial Affairs Director), Miguel Moran-Lanier (Special Events), and Amy Miller and Lindsey Greene (Greek Interns). Here is a little more information on what we do, and we look forward to meeting many of you this year!

Stephan Franklin
As the Director of Greek Affairs, I am responsible for the day-to-day operation regarding Greek Life. During the course of a given week I can be found meeting with parents, students, staff, national consultants; advising United Fraternity and Sorority Council, Inter-fraternity Council, National Pan-Hellenic, Inter-Greek Council and Collegiate Panhellenic Council meetings; participating on the UCEN governance board, and other committees.

I absolutely love working with Greeks! Becoming a member of Alpha Phi Alpha as a collegiate was one of the most important decisions I made as an undergraduate. I did not join my fraternity to be a part of the party scene; I was already there! I needed some direction and structure, due to the fact that my friends were heavily involved in the party scene; some were even not asked to return to school because their grades were not up to par.

Based on the fact that my support group was diminishing, I was in a definite need of a new support base. The brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha would become instrumental in my development.

In conclusion, I want to say that I am a member of my organization for life. It is not a temporary commitment, but one for the rest of my life. I hope you believe this as well. The Best Go Greek!

Coleen Sears
Hi, my name is Colleen and I am the Student Organization Accountant. I have been working on campus at UCSB since 1994. I began my work here assisting with Association Students. I was there for five years, then filled the Student Organization position here with OSL. Stephen Franklin is my supervisor.

Angie Tozier
As the Assistant Judicial Affairs Coordinator, it is my goal to make UCSB a safe place for students to live and to learn. In order to do that, I investigate and adjudicate reports of student misconduct. I also train and organize the Student-Faculty Conduct Committee and the Greek Conduct Board, and I work with Panhellenic in enforcing recruitment rules. In addition, it is my job to educate all members of the campus community about the standards of conduct here at UCSB. I develop programs for faculty, staff, and students, and make presentations about our conduct system in various areas of campus.

Miguel Moran-Lanier
Within Greek Affairs I assist the director, Stephan, with the scholarship reporting process, Fraternity and Sorority registration, Greek event administrative coordination & logistics. I serve as a resource to the Greek community when they need to interact with UCSB administration, and assist the director with other Greek-related issues as they arise. I am also involved in other projects such as Commencement, University Awards, other UCSB Student Organization Registration, Activities Fair, Spring Insight Student Organization Showcase, and a variety of other projects that may come up in the Office of Student Life.

Amy Miller
Hey everyone! As some of you already know I am one of your Greek Affairs Interns for the Fall 2006-Spring 2007 school year. I am lucky enough to be in this position for a second year. I am a fourth year Business-Economics Major with a professional writing minor, and I plan on Graduating this spring. I truly enjoy this position because it allows me to do things I never imagined I would do at my age, like plan banquets, run council meetings, help create and oversee a new accreditation program, and - most importantly - be a resource for incredible Greek members like you. If you have any ideas for the Greek system that you would like to see implemented please come in to the office and meet with me or send me an email, I would love to hear it. Also, if you are interested in this position for the next school year (Fall 2007-Spring 2008), and you want more information, please let me know.

Carola Alden
As the Assistant Greek Director, I enjoy working with a variety of Greek groups. I meet regularly with chapters’ executive officers, advise Order of Omega – our Greek leadership honor society, supervise our Greek interns, and give chapter presentations on topics ranging from hazing to sexual health. I enjoy working with students in large group settings as well as individually. College is an exciting and unique period in one’s life - a time that is full of challenges and exploration. I look forward to helping students be successful in all their endeavors while they are here at UCSB.

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Congratulations to Greeks Who Made the Grade!!

Top GPA's of Fall 2006:

Sororities:
1.) ΛΘΝ: 3.321
2.) ΚΑΘ: 3.282
3.) ΠΚΛ: 3.228

Fraternities:
1.) ΣΝ: 3.204
2.) ΣΦΕ: 3.112
3.) ΠΚΑ: 3.103

If you have suggestions or would like to see something in the Greek Newsletter, please contact Lindsey Greene at: email: Lindsey.Greene@sa.ucsb.edu
Thank you again to those of you who made submissions. Hope you enjoyed reading!