



Sigma Alpha Epsilon CAL BETA NEWS

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Paul Manolis '49 – A Life Served Well

One of Cal Beta's most distinguished alumnus passed away February 8, 2020 at the age of 92.

Paul was initiated into Cal Beta in 1949, following in the footsteps of his older brother Gus. While a student at Cal he was the Cal Beta delegate to the 1951 SAE National Convention, attended two Province Conventions, and represented the Chapter on the UC Inter-Fraternity Council. He taught the pledges SAE history and quizzed them during initiation ceremonies. Who remembers the name of our founder Noble Leslie DeVotie's dog?

After graduation he served as Chapter Advisor for 10 years, named by SAE National as Outstanding Chapter Advisor in 1981. He was a board member of the Housing Corporation, several years as Chairman, from 1977 to 1990. In 1984 he received the Merit Key Award from SAE National. He was a member of the first inductee class into the Cal Beta Hall of Fame in 2010.

An example of his loyalty to the Chapter occurred around 2001 when our Chapter House was closed by the City of Berkeley because of safety issues. There was a meeting of the alumni for the purpose of determining what to do. The University of California wanted to buy the property. At that time Paul was on the University's Development office and knew the University was willing to offer Cal Beta one of its buildings several blocks away from the campus in exchange. Paul gave an impassioned speech to those in attendance urging them to turn down the offer and retain the property. He even threatened to turn in his SAE pin if we didn't. The vote was unanimous to retain the property. He founded the 1894 Club and helped raise more than \$100,000.

At the 100th anniversary celebration of our Chapter in 1994, he presented those in attendance with an oral history of the Chapter. In 2013 he completed writing the 500-page book on the history of Cal Beta. It took 3 years of intensive research to accomplish this, including several days visiting the archives at the Levere Memorial Temple at our National Headquarters in Evanston, IL.

Last November at our 125th celebration banquet, Paul was asked to speak. Physically weak but mentally sharp, he made the introductory remarks in his wheelchair from the stage at the International House. The centerpiece on every dinner table was Paul's book on the history of Cal Beta. He was very moved by the standing ovation he received and his sons reported that he watched his introductory video of the event many times in the closing days of his life.

Paul had many other interests besides Cal Beta. He was the executive assistant to US Majority Leader William F. Knowland of California. Following Senator Knowland's last term, Paul returned to California where he was the Executive Editor of the Oakland Tribune, owned by the Knowland family until the paper was sold in 1978.



Paul was always focused on Greek Orthodoxy. He led countless initiatives in active leadership positions and was an advisor to a succession of archbishops and served on the executive community of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese. Several archbishops participated in his Celebration of Life Ceremony at the Ascension Cathedral in Oakland. He founded the Patriarch Athenagoras Orthodox Institute in Berkeley, fulfilling a dream to bring the presence of Orthodoxy to the Cal campus, and served as an adjunct professor there until his early 80's.

Other community activities include being on the Board of Directors of the Oakland Boys Club, the Oakland Museum, Piedmont Educational Foundation, Piedmont Historical Society, Oakland Symphony, Piedmont Boy Scout Council, California Arts Commission and the American Society of Newspaper Editors.

He leaves behind his wife Elene, children Alexandra, George (an SAE, University of Oregon) and Damian along with 8 grandchildren. Another son, Dimitros while a student in high school died in a tragic car accident. With a blessing of SAE National he was initiated into SAE.

Paul will always be remembered as an icon extraordinary by the Cal Beta brothers.

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Eminent Deputy Archon (VP)

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Ethan Barnhart (Fall '17)

Barton Trimble (Spring '19)

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Social Chair

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Will McColgan (Fall '18)

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Mikey Williams (Fall '17)

New Member Educator

Barton Trimble (Spring '19)

Appointed Positions

Eminent Recorder

Caden Moskowitz (Fall '19)

Eminent Chronicler

William McColgan (Fall '18)

Eminent Herald

Noah Bernstein (Fall '19)

Eminent Warden

Dane Westwick (Fall '18)

Athletics Manager

Charley Lagomarsino (Fall '17)

Steward

Garrett Kay (Fall '18)

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Ethan Barnhart (Fall '17)

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Board Members

President - Jeff Koblick '73

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Chapter Advisor - Pete Marshall '77

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Young Alumni - Angelo Genasci '06

Parents - Robert Locke '76



LETTER FROM THE Gavin Janis '18 EA

Hello Alumni, Brothers, and Parents,

My name is Gavin Janis and I am thrilled to announce that I have taken over as the SAE Cal Beta Chapter Eminent Archon. I am a third-year Men's Rugby student-athlete majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies with a focus on Business and Entrepreneurship. After graduation, I plan to conclude my athletic career and focus my career on entrepreneurship.

As members of SAE, the largest fraternity in the nation, and students at Cal, the number one public university in the world, we know full well we must hold ourselves to a very high standard. Thanks to our chapter advisor Pete Marshall and others, we began this semester in good standing with UC Berkeley, SAE National, and the Interfraternity Council (IFC). In addition to this good news, spring rush 2020 just concluded and we couldn't be happier. Having six new brothers around is a great addition to the house, making up for the eighteen brothers who are currently studying abroad in places like London, Madrid, Barcelona, and Berlin. When they return in the fall and we conclude another successful fall rush, our chapter will be at 60+ actives and we foresee the start of another golden age for SAE Cal Beta.

We have plenty of exciting news this semester. Most importantly, I am happy to announce that our chapter will be adopting MAST Human as the focus of our philanthropy mission. MAST is a nonprofit based in Thailand which combats human trafficking in Southeast Asia and promotes sustainable fishing. By focusing on the fishing sector, MAST has been able to tackle a problem which has left the Thai government bewildered for years. Caden Moskowitz (Fall '19) has spent years working with this nonprofit developing the MAST Human Intelligence App which collects live data on human trafficking, and the house feels responsible to assist in his and MAST's mission. We are going to have smaller philanthropy events throughout the year in addition to our annual South Seas volleyball tournament to raise money. We hope to donate a minimum of \$5,000 this semester.

In the recently concluded spring rush we added two actives who play on the Cal football team-- Parker Bosche and Jared Staud. Additionally, Garrett Kay '18, Taylor Damron '17, Jack Gallagher '20, and myself are pursuing a Men's Collegiate Rugby National Championship. Cal Rugby is currently ranked #1 in the nation and hopes to bring home its 34th national championship.

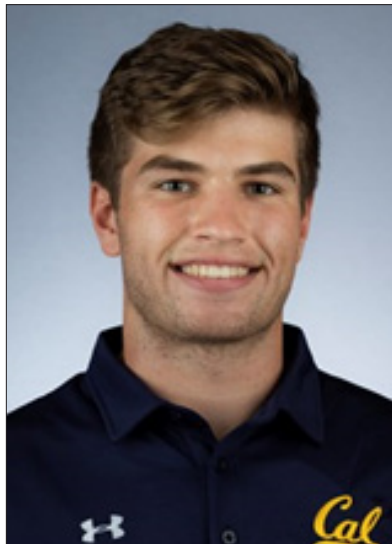
Seeing this semester end will be bittersweet, as we must watch a fantastic class of seniors graduate. Taylor Damron '17, Mikey Williams '17, Jack Lebeau '17, Jack Cosca '17, Charlie Lagomarsino '17, Blake Peterson '17, Nico Brightbill '17, Duncan Froome '17, Matt Mitchell '17, Joe Sterner '18, and Henry Smith '17 had a fantastic run at both SAE and Cal. We are sad to lose them but will be excited to watch as they pursue greatness in the years ahead.

Lastly, to no surprise, the physical house remains in great shape thanks to Jeff Koblick '73 and his maintenance manager Noel, and the steadfast support of the Housing Corp. Finally, to the alumni and parents reading this newsletter, I can't thank you enough. You are the people who ensure SAE Cal Beta continues to thrive in its ongoing quest to remain the best fraternity at UC Berkeley.

Phi Alpha & Go Bears.

Gavin Janis '18
Eminent Archon

UNDERGRAD PROFILES



Steven Max

Year: Junior

Major: ISF- Behavioral Economics

Hometown: Westchester, NY

Steven William Max is a junior at Cal from New York. He was recruited and spent two years on the Cal Varsity Rowing team. Some of Steven's hobbies are fishing and blockchain technology. While balancing sports and school, he has maintained a 3.0 GPA.

Outside of Berkeley, Steven enjoys delving into up-and-coming business opportunities such as the crypto hedge fund he worked for last summer. Steven is excited for his new paid internship this summer at Group One Trading in NYC where he will be an options trading analyst.

As a new brother of SAE Cal Beta, Steven has brought a new flare of energy and mentored many younger brothers. He is looking into taking on more responsibility in the fall 2020 semester as either a risk manager or an internal social chair. Above all he values friendship and empathy, and has a deep love for animals.



Ethan Barnhart

Year: Junior

Major: ISF- Organizational Management and Work-Life Balance

Hometown: Hanford, CA

Ethan Barnhart is a junior at Cal. He was recruited for Division One water polo as a utility player. Some of Ethan's hobbies are surfing, drums, and start-up companies. Ethan decided to stop playing water polo after his sophomore year to pursue his ISF academic career.

Outside of Berkeley, Ethan previously interned for the Executive Producer at Winter's Rock Entertainment which is a joint venture studio with 3 Ball Entertainment. Currently Ethan is working on a new 5G startup company, and for this coming summer he is searching for a new internship or job opportunity in tech sales.

At SAE, Ethan has been, as some would say, a brother hero. Ethan is a three-time risk manager and is currently the scholarship chair. He has helped many new members figure out ways to pay their dues. As one of the more active members in the house, Ethan is a prominent mentor to many of the new actives.



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On November 15th & 16th, 2019, hundreds of Cal Beta SAE's from all over the world came back to our House at 2722 Bancroft to celebrate our 125 year history and discuss how to prosper for the future generations. We had the largest Duck Dinner in history (250 Alumni attendees) at the International House, with speakers Cal Athletic Director Jim Knowlton and Rich Lyons, the former Haas Business School Dean.

On Friday, Alums also enjoyed a golf tournament at Tilden Park, and a pre Duck Dinner get together at the House, punctuated with the Cal Band playing some

lively tunes. The following day we had a pre-game BBQ at the House before watching the Cal-USC Game. While the result was not as impressive as Cal's last-minute win over Stanford in the Big Game, a great time was had by all. Go to SAECalBeta.org to see photos of all of these events, and to see who attended.

Our next Cal Beta Alumni-Student event had been planned for April 26th at the San Francisco Giants game. With COVID-19 we are suspending events until further notice. We are hoping we can start having events again this summer and fall.



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In addition, in the Fall, Duck Dinner will be on the Friday night before the Big Game.

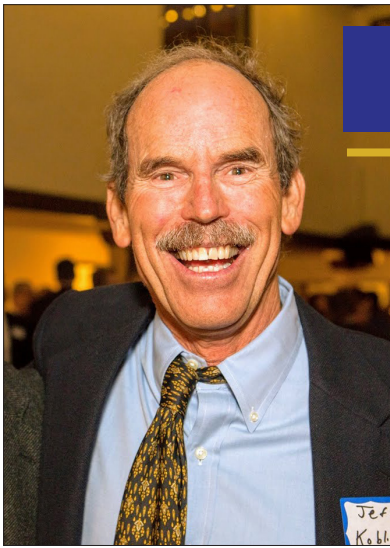
By any measurement, Cal Beta SAE is the #1 fraternity at UC Berkeley. We have the best Members, over 1000 active Alumni, the best House, the best History and we will no doubt have the best Future. Importantly, we own our House at 2722 Bancroft Way, which has the #1 best location at UC Berkeley and is valued at over \$4 million.

For all of us, attending UC Berkeley, being part of Cal

Beta SAE and living at 2722 Bancroft were life shaping times. Thankfully we have Alums and Members actively putting in the energy and work to keep the House and Chapter prospering.

We look forward to seeing you soon and for your continued involvement and support for Cal Beta's future!

Jeff Koblick,
On behalf of the Board of Directors



ALUMNI PROFILE

Geoffrey Koblick '73

Jeff Koblick pledged Cal Beta SAE in Fall of 1973. While there he worked as House breakfast and lunch cook and served as Pledge Trainer for a couple of outstanding pledge classes. He graduated in 1976 with a BA in Economics and went on to get his JD from UC San Francisco Hastings School

of Law in 1979. Soon thereafter he married Phyllis Uehisa, a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta House and Captain of the Cal Pom Pom team, who he met at a "Little Sisters" party at the SAE House. They have two daughters, Allison, who graduated from Cal's Haas Business School in 2015 and is now getting her MBA at Stanford, and Christina who decided not to attend Cal and rather graduated from USC in 2017 and now manages songwriters in LA with her company Non Stop Management.

In 2002, Koblick heard the Cal Beta SAE Fraternity House at 2722 Bancroft Way was shut down due to code violations and the fraternity was down to 6 members. Brian Rogers and Bill Rodgers had raised \$100,000 from many Alums to keep the House going, while a plan was agreed upon as to how to move forward. Somehow Bill Rodgers contacted Koblick, and because of his real estate background, Koblick decided to get involved with renovating the House.

Along with Bill Rodgers, Ted Bartlett, Will Bartlett and Brian Rogers, Koblick then helped secure a \$1.1M loan from Mechanics Bank for remodeling the House. Architect Perry Haviland and Ted Bartlett helped with the plans for the remodel effort and Russ Lococo was the contractor. The House was remodeled in four months, so we could be open for the Fall 2003 semester.

Chris Pawlik and Danny Gold were instrumental in recruiting new members and many boarders to fill the House the first year. Then Koblick met Ross Biestman walking around the upstairs hallway of the House one August night. Ross, whose father Mark had pledged Cal Beta SAE in 1976, joined the House and quickly became president and recruited several outstanding new members, many from the national champion Cal Rugby team, and the House was soon full of Active Members by Fall 2004. Koblick has helped manage the House ever since then.

Koblick is a Real Estate Investment Fund Manager, and is the Manager of Magna Real Estate, LLC, a \$100M real estate investment fund. Magna Real Estate invests in and manages commercial properties, including professional office buildings, apartments, and retail shopping centers in the Bay Area.

Back in 1983, prior to getting involved in the real estate business, Koblick founded a software company called IMSI with two other Cal Beta SAE's, Bob Mayer and Dr. John Deane. They grew the company to \$60M in revenues and took it public on the NASDAQ, then sold the company in 2002.

Koblick is an avid swimmer and has swum the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz and the "Trans Tahoe Relay" many times with a team of other old Cal guys (one a ZET alum and one a SNU alum). He has coached numerous youth sports over the years as his daughters were growing up. In addition to serving on the House Corporation for 2722 Bancroft Educational Institute, Inc., he is a Board member of the Marin General Hospital Foundation, the Ross Property Owners and the Ross Valley Youth Soccer League.

LET US KNOW what you are doing!

Please send us your news and/or photos to mattnoble@fmgtucson.com so we can share with everyone. Also, take the time to update all of your contact information here:

saecalbeta.org/alumni-update-profile



ALUMNI PROFILE

Pete Marshall '81

Pete has been a member of Cal Beta's house corporation board since 2013 and was instrumental in the efforts to re-open the chapter in 2017. He has served as chapter advisor since 2017.

Pete arrived in Berkeley from Orange County

in the fall of 1977, and pledged SAE alongside high school friend Karl Spurzem, who convinced him that going through rush would be a good idea. Forty years later Pete and Karl remain close friends, and most days begin with a group text between the two and several other pledge brothers, so this was apparently a good decision.

He attended Cal as a Merit Scholar and graduated in 1981 with highest honors in Rhetoric. While at Cal, Pete was a member of the Californians and various other campus organizations, but most of his free time was spent on SAE activities. Pete served the chapter in various capacities, including Eminent Archon, but believes his most important contributions were made as Steward and breakfast cook.

Following graduation, Pete spent a year as an Education & Leadership Consultant on the staff of SAE National. As a field representative he was responsible for a quarter of SAE's collegiate chapters. The year spent visiting colleges across the country not only gave Pete a deeper appreciation of SAE as a national fraternity, but also of Cal Beta and the Bay Area. There really is no place like home, and no group of men quite like the members of Cal Beta.

With a B.A. in Rhetoric, and a resume that included little more than bartending and a year spent as a professional fraternity man, Pete had little choice but to continue on the course he had charted as a freshman and entered UC Hastings College of the Law in 1982. He still thanks Kent Halkett '75 for kicking him off the sundeck, reminding him that law schools really do care about undergraduate grades.

Pete graduated from Hastings, cum laude, in 1985. While a law student, Pete was a member and editor of the Hastings Law Journal, a member of the Thurston Society (Hastings' academic honor society), and an extern law clerk

for Malcolm Lucas, Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court.

Finally armed with marketable skills, Pete's legal career began with San Francisco based Graham & James as an associate in the corporate and real estate groups. After a brief stint working for Graham & James in Japan, Pete helped establish the firm's first Silicon Valley office in Palo Alto.

In 1991 Pete took a leave of absence from the law firm, bought a 40' sailboat, packed his guitar and a few other necessary items, and sailed off to Mexico. He eventually ran out of money and had to cruise on back home.

In 1996 Pete formed Wilson Marshall & Taylor, a law firm with offices in Silicon Valley and the East Bay. For the past twenty-five years Pete has assisted startup and early-stage technology companies in business and corporate matters, including M&A and financing transactions with an aggregate value well in excess of a billion dollars.

For the past fifteen years Pete, his wife Rachel, and their two kids have lived in Danville, California. Pete and Rachel are active supporters of JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation), and Canine Companions for Independence, a non-profit organization that provides assistance dogs free of charge to adults, children and veterans with disabilities.

In addition to the frequently unsolicited advice Pete shares with the active chapter, he would remind them to pay attention to the underlying meaning of The True Gentleman. The language might be dated, but there is much to be said for living your life with integrity, honor, and humility. These remain qualities he strives to reflect in both his personal and professional life.

During Pete's 2015 Cal Beta Hall of Fame induction, he quoted a philosopher not typically associated with brotherhood and fraternity, Niccolo Machiavelli:

"There is no better indication of a man's character than the company which he keeps; and therefor very properly a man who keeps respectable company acquires a good name, for it is impossible that there should not be some similitude of character and habits between him and his associates."



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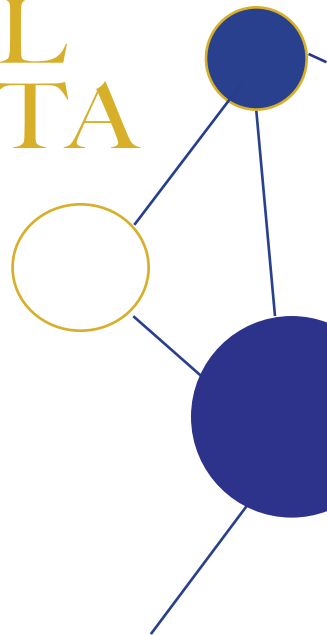
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if you are willing to participate in any of the below:

- Allow an undergraduate to do a 1-day career shadow with you and/or take a call to discuss your career
- Attend a career networking event at the house for alumni & undergraduates
- Promote internships & fulltime jobs



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