Cooperatively Yours

We’re Going to SoCal Again!

Please come meet with Executive Director Kim Benson, Development Director Madeleine Loh, President Zach Gamlieli and other student leaders on our tour of Southern California during Spring Break.

Friday March 23 - Downtown LA Happy Hour
Sunday March 25 - Downtown LA Lunch
Monday March 26 - Fullerton Lunch
Monday March 26 - Palm Springs Happy Hour
Thursday March 29 - San Diego Happy Hour

Register at bscroadtrip.eventbrite.com

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“We could not be prouder of the Berkeley Student Cooperative for decades of committed leadership to improve the quality of life for Cal students and Berkeley residents. Every year the BSC provides Cal students with affordable, diverse, and welcoming housing options. ...This year the BSC and City of Berkeley Public Works Department have launched the Helping Seniors in their Homes effort which will provide low-income seniors with volunteers who can undertake projects around in their homes. This project is sure to add to the BSC legacy of service and commitment.”

— Ruben Lizardo, UC Berkeley, Office of the Chancellor
The Berkeley Student Cooperative thanks alum Jon Lampman, a member of the BSC Alumni Association board of directors, for organizing our Strawberry Creek tour and cleanup! Twenty BSC members took part to fulfill our commitment to be good members of the campus community.

We were led by Tim Pine of UC Berkeley’s Office of Environmental Health & Safety, a passionate advocate for safekeeping the ecology of Strawberry Creek. Tim gave us a very informative and entertaining tour of low-impact landscape design elements that help protect our natural creeks. Learn more at strawberrycreek.berkeley.edu.
Ruby Zalduondo, a resident at Casa Zimbabwe, organized over 35 BSC members to provide decluttering, organization, and tech support services at Redwood Gardens, a cooperative housing community for low-income senior citizens on the Clark Kerr campus.

This event was a joint project with the Chancellor’s Office called “Helping Berkeley Seniors in Their Homes.” Begun only a few months ago, this program spearheaded by the BSC and BSC President Zach Gamlieli has already helped over 50 senior citizens in Berkeley. This trip to Redwood Gardens was the largest event that we have coordinated to date.

“It was a productive and meaningful day for everyone. Each student got the chance to engage with and help a local senior citizen. It was refreshing and fulfilling to get to see the tangible and immediate benefits of the volunteers’ hard work. The students of the BSC and I are very excited for another semester of giving back to the community!” says Ruby.
Rudolf (Rudy) Moos was born in a Jewish family in Berlin, Germany in 1934, just as the Nazi regime was coming to power. He was an only child and lived with his mother and father. The Mooses are related to the Einstein family and they socialized with Albert Einstein when he was a professor in Berlin before he fled Germany and immigrated to the United States. The Mooses then made their own plans to leave Germany. In 1938, Rudy was separated from his parents when he was spirited into Belgium, where he lived with relatives. He was later reunited with his parents in Birmingham, England.

Albert Einstein sponsored Rudy and his parents to immigrate to the United States in 1940. They arrived at Ellis Island, but Rudy’s mother wanted to come to San Francisco to avoid New York City, the usual starting place for new immigrants. Rudy and his parents have always been grateful to Albert Einstein for enabling them to start a new life in the United States.

Rudy soon discovered Cloyne Court, part of the then “UCSCA,” where he made friendships that helped him mature. At the Co-op, Rudy found an affordable community where he took on leadership roles of Education Chair, House Manager, and House President. Rudy majored in psychology and wanted to understand life crises and how individuals coped with them. During his undergraduate summers, he worked with the American Friends Service Committee helping people in mental hospitals and prisons, including San Quentin.

Having moved all his life, Rudy decided to remain at UC Berkeley to earn his Ph.D. Rudy later accepted an academic appointment in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University and eventually became a professor there. Rudy worked at Stanford and at the Veterans Affairs Health Care System from 1962-2012.
Rudy’s contributions to the field have been recognized by several organizations, including both the American Psychological Association and the American Psychiatric Association. As Professor Emeritus at Stanford, Rudy is still somewhat involved in research on the development and treatment of substance use disorders.

Rudy and Bernice met in 1962 on a blind date in Waikiki. Rudy likes to joke that he went to Hawaii to study the leper colony on Molokai (true) and met Bernice (no, not at the leper colony). Bernice was born and raised in West Virginia. She earned a B.S. in Math and Chemistry at the University of Illinois and worked for 40 years with Rudy as a Program Analyst and Statistician. Rudy and Bernice published a number of professional articles and book chapters in the areas of coping with life crises and the treatment of psychiatric and substance use disorders. Rudy and Bernice have been married for 54 years and are proud of their two adult children and six grandchildren.

Annual BSC Scholarship Reception at UC Berkeley Faculty Club

SC leaders and members shared personal stories about their experiences in our community. These stories brought back memories for our alumni who remembered their own struggles as students and how the BSC was critical to their own happy adjustment to college life.

We were honored by the attendance of UC Berkeley Assistant Vice Chancellor Cruz Grimaldo (Financial Aid & Scholarships) and Vice Chancellor Oscar Dubon (Equity & Inclusion).

We are grateful to Art & Sue Walenta for sponsoring this annual event, and Narsai David for donating wine.

SAVE THE DATE for next year’s Scholarship Reception:
Tuesday, December 4, 2018!
For two decades, African-American Theme House has served as a bridge and place of solace for residents who are members of the greater Afro community.

“Afro House” celebrated its 20th anniversary in November with a week with a mural painting party, writing workshop, Black Wednesday gathering on the steps of Sproul Plaza, and culminated with a big dinner party where Don Foster and other founders of Afro House were honored.

The Berkeley Student Cooperative is proud of what the Afro House community continues to accomplish — improving access to underserved students and providing meaningful experiences in a supportive community. We are exceptionally impressed with the Afro House 20th Anniversary celebrations, which were organized by the residents themselves with the leadership of House President Laini Wimberly and Community Manager E’Niya Wilson. Well done Afro!
Every five years, Kendall Callas dutifully rounds up the group of students who first moved into Le Chateau when the BSC purchased the property in 1977. After a settlement with neighbors in 2004, Chateau is now known as Hillegass Parker House, which is dedicated to transfer, re-entry students (25 years and older), and graduate students. We are grateful to Board Director Maria Guerra and “HiP” House President Alec Nicholson for facilitating house council approval, and we thank all the HiP residents for giving our alumni a warm welcome. Alumni and students engaged in house tours, a Q &A session about BSC and house operations, and story swapping over drinks.

Chateau Founders, please visit whenever you like, and we look forward to the next Founders Reunion in 2022!
Julian lived in “Ridge Project,” as it was then known, in 1974-76. Julian moved into Room 314 of Ridge Project with two friends from Mission San Jose High School in Fremont, Steve Zembsch and Steve Morris. “We weren’t thrilled about the industrial paint job, so after getting approval from house management, we put up wood shingles and mirror tiles around the room.” After Room 314, Julian moved to Room 300, then Room 312, and then the BSC’s Northside Apartments.

His first workshift was Central Kitchen, Wednesdays, 7-9 AM. “That was pretty tough after working in the computer center or Zellerbach Theater until 2 AM.” Next was management of the house switchboard, which involved managing a team of switchboard operators, who would log all long distance calls, which Julian then reconciled with the monthly phone bill.

Back then, the dining room was the real hub of all activity. Everyone was in or through there multiple times a day, and the chances of connecting with just about everyone else in RP at some point were pretty high, including at midnight and beyond. So many interactions with so many smart people made the biggest impressions on Julian and got him interested in other subjects. “The dining room was what would today be called an interdisciplinary environment. My career has been pretty focused on this kind of work, so in a way the Ridge Project dining room was the start of that.”

The room downstairs, the piano room, wasn’t as heavily used as the dining room [ed: now dubbed the “Red Room”]. It was usually quiet, but once in a while people got into playing music, live on the pianos or other instruments. The penthouse of the 300 wing was reserved as a study room; it was always as quiet as a campus library.

Julian also fondly recalls: Stewart Chang, who lived in the room next to 314, now retired; Andre, exchange student from Germany, roommate with Stewart; Patty C., his roommate in 312; Debbie H., who got him interested in astronomy and the Jet Propulsion Laboratory; Junior Matta (everyone called him Junior, though his real first name eludes Julian); Larry Badajos, who worked the night shift at Giant Burger; Sue S., resident guitar player; Dave Ramirez, also a guitar player, in a band; Angela M., fellow CS student; Grant G.; Bruce F.; Jeff R., student editor at the Daily Cal.

Julian Gómez has spent the last few decades pushing 3D computer graphics into new areas. His career has been equally split between academia and industry. Julian started his career at the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory Computer Graphics Laboratory, and has also been at RIACS in the NASA Ames Research Center, Macromedia, Apple Computer, LEGO and Sun Microsystems, and he is co-founder of several startups. While Chief Scientist at LEGO A/S, he pioneered the use of relational databases for managing 3D information.
Greetings, current co-operators, alumni, and friends!

2017 was a great year for BSC students and alumni, and I am looking forward to the joyful work of the Berkeley Student Cooperative Alumni Association (BSCAA) in 2018. Our mission as a 501c3 charity is to support the current cooperative membership of the Berkeley Student Cooperative and our ever-widening community of alumni. We do this by: helping alumni stay connected with each other and the BSC, contributing funds to student-led projects, supporting student-alumni volunteer events, and supporting the BSC however we can—programmatically, strategically, or with fundraising—throughout the year.

The last year has been one of great progress for our alumni association. The BSCAA has a new website, which you can find at bscaa.coop, devoted to Alumni Association activities. Many thanks to Analise Smith-Hinkley for her stellar work to get us modernized. Please check out the new website and send us feedback on what you like, what you think is missing, and what else we can provide to keep you up-to-date on BSC and Alumni Association events. (As a general rule, all BSC alumni are welcome at all BSCAA events, regardless of BSCAA membership, so please come say hello in 2018 if that has been holding you back.) We hope to incorporate alumni stories and house histories here in the future, so be sure to check back for when we launch those opportunities.

One of the things we are most proud of at the BSCAA is our ability to help the BSC to address needs nimbly throughout the year. In 2017, we supplemented the BSC’s emergency grants and supported a boarding contract for a homeless student. The BSCAA donated $5,000 to the BSC Emergency Grant program to increase the number of grants available to members who experience a financial crisis and need help making ends meet. This helped to ensure students could focus on their studies instead of looking for work or, even worse, housing. Also, the BSCAA sponsored a boarding contract for a homeless student. Did you know that 5% of UC Berkeley students are homeless? With a boarding contract, students can eat all their meals at a residence, shower, study, do their laundry, and be part of an inclusive community. Truly, this is what the cooperative spirit is all about!

We connected with alumni both near and far away with a variety of fun, social events. The BSCAA held several events in the East Bay to help our community connect with each other and current students—many thanks to our local alumni for their collaboration and cooperative spirit. We sponsored happy hours in Berkeley, as well as Thanksgiving & Christmas dinners open to alumni who might want to join those students celebrating the holidays with their co-op communities this year. Our alumni supported Hoyt’s lively “Herstory” night, and we coordinated two Strawberry Creek eco-restorations on UC Berkeley’s campus that were enjoyed by students and alumni and deeply appreciated by the caring grounds staff. Keep an eye out for these announcements on our Facebook page in 2018! facebook.com/pg/BSCAA

In August, we revived the traditional co-op alumni picnic which was attended by young alumni and their families. We held a well-attended gathering in New York City, helping to keep our alumni connected and in the know about the latest BSC updates. Finally, we supported the BSC in their “road trip” down to Los Angeles and San Diego so that alumni could meet and greet Kim Benson, BSC Executive Director, and Kevin Haroldo, then-BSC President. Many thanks to Alfred Twu, Michelle Nacouzi, Nick Hamilton, Jon Lampman, Margie Guillory, Tori Partridge, Justin Erickson, Kevin Haroldo, Kim Benson, and Madeleine Loh for their cooperative efforts!

The BSCAA Board of Directors is spearheading a new program called the House/Apartment Alumni Liaison Program (HAALP). Our goal is to have an alumnus/a attend council meetings at a particular house or apartment building regularly and serve as a responsive and respectful point of contact between the BSCAA and the residence. We aim to have HAALP partners consistently participating at each residence so that current BSC members have a clear, direct connection to the resources of their alumni community. We hope to coordinate events open to alumni at each house, so please remember to check out our new website for what’s coming up—and please reach out to us if this sounds to you like an enjoyable way to support current co-op members.

We are only able to do this work thanks to the contributions and membership dues paid by BSCAA members. When you provide these funds, the BSCAA facilitates students and alumni from the BSC bonding over common experiences and getting to know each other, which grows our community and the support we can provide for current members at the same time. We are always looking for ways to provide interesting activities that appeal to our diverse constituency. Please send us your ideas for events near you: bscaa1996@gmail.com.

Please consider joining us as a member if you haven’t, renewing your lapsed membership, or making a tax-deductible donation to the BSCAA today! By doing so, you help to “pay it forward” and support the organization that helped us all when we were students to ensure that today’s members have what they need to succeed and thrive in school.

Cooperatively yours,
John Ehrlich, BSCAA President
Did you receive a “thank you” phone call or postcard in November from one of our BSC members for your recent donation? You were part of the annual BSC Thankathon! BSC Board Director Jane Kim (Sherman Hall) mobilized over 50 BSC members to meet at the Rochdale Village Common Room and Cloyne Court study room to thank our recent donors. Together, they made over 550 phone calls and mailed over 300 postcards. It was the first time the BSC has ever managed to thank our entire donor list.

“We all had a great time listening to donors’ stories and getting to know the voices behind the support we’ve received. I think we also had a great time together; both days were full of cooperation, collaboration, and lots of laughs and jokes, making the days fly by. From this experience, I think we all learned about how taking on tasks together within such a comfortable environment can be a fun time,” says Jane.

The importance of BSC Thankathon is twofold: we want our donors to know we appreciate them, and we also want to build student-alumni relationships so that our current members learn that they are part of a larger tradition of stewardship.

BSC Thankathon is one way the BSC is increasing our member involvement in alumni engagement. Josh Erdtsieck, Vice President of External Affairs explains, “As a student-run organization, we want to own our responsibility to nurture alumni and donor relations. This is not just lip service. We are beginning from the top by committing at least 85 hours per semester to help out with alumni engagement at the Board-level. That was one of my primary goals as Vice President for Fall 2017, and we made it! We are also building systems and programs that will encourage all BSC members to participate in alumni engagement.”
Thank you, Joe Mixer (Oxford Hall 1941-43), for sending in this rare copy of “UCSCA” news! As you can see, much has changed but we are fundamentally the same student-run organization concerned with affordable housing and meaningful experiences for our members.
ALL
CO-OP
PEOPLE

JOE STANSON who lived at Barrington during the later part of January, is the son of the famed actress Gloria Swanson. Swanson, who has spent four years abroad, is a student in an Army Signal Corps school, San Jose. He visited Barrington again two weeks ago.

SAM CRAWFA, Oxford is the nephew of movie producer Frank Cappa. He, too, likes to take pictures and can tell you about the days he has spent on movie sets.

MARY LIND, Stebbins, recently chairman of sophomore dinner, is the niece of Jane Adams, famed as the sponsor of Chicago’s Hull House. Mary can remember being taught to knit by the social worker who did so much to better Chicago slums.

RUSSELL BENNET, another Barrington boy, has traveled 12,000 air miles this year—and he hasn’t paid enough for all his trips to equal the cost of flight from Berkeley to Los Angeles. Why? His father is a director of American Airways.

To the Service

Into the ranks of our country’s armed forces, the army, navy, air corps, and marines, have gone thirteen members of the USCCA.

From BARRINGTON: Townsend Connor, Charles Felkins, Donald Goethel, Tom Kerr, Jim Robison and Bert Taylor.

LEXINGTON: Dick Aiders, Caffrey, Elrin Johnston and Weldon Washington

SMITHIAN: James Campbell, Julian Corson, and Joe Rohan.

MANAGERS TYPIFY IDEAL “CO-OPERS”

These are our managers, “May heaven rest their souls!”

Senior HELEN BELL, blonde Pasadena girl, deserves much credit for seeing Sherman Hall through the month of opening.

Pitman manager of Barrington since last April, J. N. SAWYERS, has been described by his co-workers as “efficient plus.” He carries the burden of managing our largest house.

ANKO “GIANT Fuss” HARRISON has taken up the reins as manager of Oxford for the second time. His previous experience proves he is ready for the job.

PETRA WILLIAMS, Lexington’s manager, is the girl who saw through the transformation from a boy’s to a girl’s house. Pat, with a jolly laugh, is an ideal co-operator.

Fast-talking MARY WARD is “head boss” at Kingman. With her efficient way, we call her a “good gal.”

“Good Joe,” President of USCCA, and well-liked by all describes ALAN MCENROE, Sheridan’s manager.

DEODOR WINKHAM, manager of the largest girls’ house, Stebbins, and has the rare trait for a manager of a fine sense of humour.

MEET MARY OGG

A salute to an all-round co-operator, Mary Ogg, Editor of the Daily Californian. Mary lives at Lexington and is a well-known campus personality.

Hailing from Alhambra, 19-year old, blond-haired Mary may be quiet, but you’ll soon find out that she always manages to slip her two cents into the conversation.

Mary Ogg is one of those people you should definitely know, not only for what she does but for what she is.

BARRINGTON BOARDS ‘EM

They’ve been having a little trouble over in the kitchen at Barrington. Seems like there’s something running around. In fact there’re so many of ’em not even the toe department can use them all. We mean rats—four logged ones, of course. Right now the fellows are looking for a box constrictor. If any of your friends happen to have one—phone Ash. 4400 and let ’em know.

LOCK-OUT PROBLEMS SOLVED

Look-pleasor, safe-cracker Jimmy Valentine would say “there’s nothing to it,” but Co-op men aren’t Valentines. LOCK-OUTS ARE REAL PROBLEMS.

Where Valentine was clever, USCCA fellows are practical.

For instance: ever take Stebbins’ boy’s Windows, double doors which don’t look, and roommates help Lexington “lookouts.”

Sherman girls, caught without a key in the wee small hours of the night, dash to “I” house, phone Sherman, dash to their house just in time for phone-answerer to let them in.

At Kingman, Bank Lewin’s room, conveniently placed near a fire escape solves the problem.

We’ve given you the tips fellows, use’em.

145 TO BARRINGTON LIBE

Yes, Barrington is going intellectual on us. The boys have installed their own library. One hundred and twenty-five dollars has gone toward the books, which range from a list of best sellers to books for engineers who can’t read (if you know what I mean)

THERE’S ROOM FOR MORE

AT—

OXFORD

STEBBINS

LEXINGTON

BARRINGTON

Board $2.25 per month
3 meals a day
Phil Brownell (BA '61, MA '63) first became a Co-op member in 1957, staying at Oxford his freshman year. He made several life long friends there. Gale Brownell (BA '66, Teaching Credential '67) stayed at Stebbins the summer of 1963 before the two of them married in September and moved to a studio apartment in Oakland. To the Brownells, the BSC housing was not only affordable, but provided a community of similarly minded friends who were willing to work hard for their educations and their room and board.

Michelle Pesce (CZ 2009-12) and Joe Cavallero (CZ 2004-09) first met when Joe hosted his traditional “cheese disorientation” at CZ, where Michelle was a new resident. Their friendship deepened when Michelle became workshift manager, and Joe maintenance manager.

“"We spent the summer as co-managers working on projects together for the house. Our first ‘date’ was baking apple pie together in the CZ kitchen.”

Michelle and Joe got engaged moments after the total solar eclipse on August 21, 2017, in Donnelly, Idaho, surrounded by family.

Michelle has been working at the Berkeley Student Cooperative for five years. She was the first BSC staff person to conduct our new habitability inspections. She is now working in bookkeeping and has been instrumental in upgrading our new housing and accounting systems. “As a member of the BSC’s finance team, Michelle has been indispensable in helping the BSC achieve higher financial reporting standards and operational efficiency while being an effective communicator with BSC members. We are all thrilled about her engagement!” says BSC Finance & Accounting Manager, Steve Catano.

Roland Saekow (Ridge House 2007-09) and his work was featured in The Atlantic. During his senior year, Roland developed ChronoZoom, an interactive timeline that shows all of Big History. Roland continues to develop ChronoZoom as part of the Earth and Planetary Science research staff at Berkeley.

David J. Peterson (Casa Zimbabwe 2000-03, Ridge House 2001-02) was featured in a Rolling Stone magazine in August 2017 for his linguistic work and creation of the Dothraki and High Valyrian languages in Game of Thrones. David recently attended a Hoyt Hall reunion with his wife, Ellen McPherson Peterson (Hoyt Hall 1999-2000). Cloyne Court has invited David to speak at Cloyne’s annual “Big Academic Event.” We hope David will provide this valuable service to the BSC!

Trevor Paglen (Chateau 1993-95, Fenwick Weavers Village 2002, Rochdale Village 2005-08), a conceptual artist and geographer, received a MacArthur Genius Grant. According to the MacArthur citation, Trevor documents “the hidden operations of covert government projects and examines the ways that human rights are threatened in an era of mass surveillance.” Trevor uses high-powered telescopes with cameras to photograph secret prisons and military bases, and works with amateur astronomers to document classified satellites orbiting the earth.
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Kathryn Wafle (Scripps College BA 2001) were both taking summer session courses at UC Berkeley and living in the BSC’s Chateau (today’s Hillegass Parker House) when they met and fell in love. “We spent time maintaining the grounds, repairing and creating outdoor furniture, and having good, clean fun.”

Katy and Sam particularly remember Amy Vecchione, Josh Thayer (then house manager) and the many friendly fish [ed: we know what “fish” are and ensure that all residents have a contract with the BSC – a better business practice!].

Sam and Katy now reside in Albany, CA with their two children. The BSC is grateful to Sam and Kathryn for giving back. “Our decision to donate to the BSC was not impulsive; the [then] USCA was an important part of both of our lives and always in our thoughts. What it continues to do for students is incredibly important in today’s environment.”

Clarke Holland (Cloyne Court 1970-72) I moved into Cloyne Court as a freshman. Cloyne was all male back then (about 150 guys as I recall). My two years at Cloyne were fabulous. I really liked living with so many different people—grad students, foreign students, etc. This was an experience you would not get in a normal dorm. My first workshifts at Cloyne were in the kitchen and I immediately liked the work. I remember getting assigned to pot washing and getting extra time credit. By the spring quarter, I was a dinner manager. I was the Cloyne workshift manager my second year (71-72). That was a lot of work, especially rounding up people to cover for no-shows.

Starting in the winter quarter 1970 my roommate was Dan Rosen. We worked really hard over the Christmas break to get our new room remodeled. We built the beds up high and installed a desk underneath. I think our room number was 5A, located on the East wing overlooking the basketball court. Dan was a mechanical engineering major and was great at construction, especially lighting. We had an awesome room with a great stereo. I spent most of my spare time playing volleyball. We had some great intramural 6 man and 2 man teams.

The Co-op represents the best approach to student living. First, the price was hard to beat. Second, the responsibility of living and working on your own with minimal supervision was a great introduction to adulthood—but still plenty of opportunity for less than adult behavior.

Eileen Hsu (Sherman Hall 1994-97, Fenwick 1996). I want to thank the Berkeley Student Cooperative for the best memories of my years at Berkeley. I learned so much and made fantastic friends, including Agnes de la Vega, Christina Kwok, Dave Graham-Squire, and John Walker. My workshifts included cleaning the foyer and the dining commons. I also cooked weekly for 40 hungry girls at Sherman Hall. Even now, I recommend the BSC to incoming Berkeley freshmen. You get such a diverse view of the world and ways of thinking and living. In addition to developing lifelong friendships, the broad exposure can impact your professional choices too. For example, I now work for LA Metro, with the aim of helping all walks of life ride together, cultivate a sense of community, spare the air, and gain access to opportunities. My appreciation for contributing to a shared experience, which is richer than anything you can create alone, was born out of living in the Co-ops. Thank you!

Tae H. Kim (Wolf House, 1987) I was born and raised in South Korea and moved to the US when I was young. I enlisted with the Army and worked for several years. I decided to get my education after I had saved up enough money. I started off at community college, then transferred to UC Berkeley.

I intentionally chose to live at the Berkeley Student Cooperative because I wanted to be in a community and experience American college life. It was a wonderful experience, and I met many interesting people. I remember one fellow who composed his own music, another who... I did not find it difficult to fit in, even as an older student. There were other older students who had managerial roles in the house, and they did a good job.

I’m grateful for my time in the Co-op.

at Cloyne was the switchboard. In 1982, it was highly unusual to have your own phone in your room. When my roommate Sharon Tar-drew invested in a private line, that was a big deal. There were phones posted in the hallways throughout the building, spaced so that three or four rooms shared a phone. Someone would hear the phone ringing in the hall, pick it up, and try to find the recipient. As the operator, once a call would come in to the central switchboard we’d have to figure out which phone was nearest the room of the person the caller was trying to reach. If you’ve ever seen video of Lily Tomlin as The Operator saying “one ringy, dingy,” that was us. If the person was not there, you would write down the message and put it in the person’s box. The switchboard and boxes were right by the front door, so if you were still working when people came in, you got to see their reactions to their messages, which I found fascinating.

I met some of my best friends from college in Cloyne Court, people I’m still in touch with today: Doug Harkness, Alison Mandaville, Sonia Fattorini, Beth Bryson, Sharon Tardrew, Andrew Barnsdale, many others. My junior year I was pulled in to the Rochdale Village Apartments by Beth Bryson. Senior year we lived in the Fenwick Apartments. When I lived in the apartments my work shift was at Central Office, where I helped the bookkeeper balance the books. I learned from that job how to balance a checkbook, a useful life skill.

Today I live in North Oakland, and I always point out to my husband and daughters Cloyne Court when we’re nearby. I work as the Sustainability Coordinator for Contra Costa County, focusing on climate issues. I’m in my tenth year on the Oakland School Board, an office to which I’ve been elected three times. The cooperative ethic of service and collaboration has definitely influenced my career choices and how I choose to move through the world.

I give back to the Co-op because they were such an important part of my college experience. I want to make sure the BSC is there for current and future students.

Lisa Pokorny (Chateau 1977-81). The reason I made my first donation to the BSC, aside from the warm welcome we received at our recent Chateau Reunion, is that I now have two kids in college, and it is bringing up fond memories of my own Co-op experience. Since we shared meals and parties with the same 90 people (with annual turnover) every night for a year or four (in my case), we formed close relationships, some of which I have kept up for 35 years now. You do not have the same opportunity in any large school or high-rise dorm environment. I was lucky. I wish my kids had something like this.

Jan Curtis (Sherman Hall 1956-60). I was the first woman to spend all four years toward a BA at Sherman. I knew when I was well-off, and didn’t need to learn independence, or housekeeping and budgeting skills and whatever else apartment-hunters needed to learn. We were the only women’s residence hall on campus with special permission to have male boarders...who ate all meals with us, did work shifts with us and sometimes went out with some of us. House wisdom: Never get involved with a boarder, because when you break up, you’ll still have to see him at meals and house meetings! Give the current residents my best regards, please, and pass on these Ten Commandments — times of changed!

The Ten Commandments of Sherman

I. The house manager is the ruler supreme; thou shalt place no other word above hers.

II. Thou shalt not take plastic dinnerware or silverware to thy room, for the house manager will not hold her guiltless that taketh these articles upstairs.

III. Remember thy workshifts...to dress appropriately for them.

IV. Honor the rules of WDA that thy days may be peaceful with J. Comm. thy house president giveth thee. [I don’t remember what this means!]

V. Thou shalt not miss workshifts.

VI. Thou shalt not commit lockout violations.
VII. Thou shalt not consume food illegally.

VIII. Thou shalt not forget to sign up thy dinner guests.

IX. Thou shalt not wear pedal pushers or shorts, Bermudas or otherwise, to dinner.

X. Thou shalt not grumble about house rules except at house meetings or house council meetings.

Janet (Willner) Myers (Stebbins 1960-63). On school nights there was a study break in quiet hours from 10 to 10:30 p.m., hence the Tea Party and Song Fest in photos. For special occasions, Stebbins gals served at banquets held at Cloyne (both houses were not co-ed back then). Here I had the privilege of serving USCA General Manager Hal Norton. Unlike young people today, I left college debt free thanks to the State of California/University of California (fees were $75/semester) and the USCA, taking with me a priceless education and lifelong friendships. My husband and I live in Florida and recently downsized, so I’ve had the opportunity to revisit scrapbooks and memorabilia of my USCA days. Greeting to all!

IN MEMORIAM

Louise Lindsay Vogelsberg (Sherman Hall 1950-53) and her husband Fred Vogelsberg (Cloyne), managed the BSC alumni list in the 1950s.
BSC OPERATING EXPENSES 2017-18

Our students pay for our operating expenses, with some help from donors. We are actively expanding our donor base to reduce the burden on students.

![Pie chart showing BSC operating expenses]

TOTAL $10,875,984.27

- **60.3%** Housing, Food, & Member Programming (Including Professional & Student Staff)
- **22.5%** Seismic Retrofits & Capital Maintenance
- **13.4%** Bond Repayments for Previous Seismic Retrofits
- **2.3%** Growth Fund
- **0.7%** Scholarships
- **0.7%** Alumni Engagement & Fundraising

SPECIAL GIVE
APRIL 23-27, 2018

Special Give is the Berkeley Student Cooperative’s annual fundraising campaign.

This year, the BSC and our volunteers aim to raise $100,000.

We are looking for volunteer fundraisers!

![Bar chart showing cost of rent and food]

**Cost of Rent and Food**
2017-18 Academic year

- **Berkeley Student Cooperative**: $6,876
- **Off-Campus**: $13,256
- **UC Berkeley Dormitories**: $17,274
Donate to the BSC!

The BSC is a 501(c)(3) charitable non-profit organization. All contributions are tax-deductible. Your donations directly support the BSC’s work.

Choose your gift:

☐ $100.00
☐ $1,000.00
☐ $__________
☐ $__________/Month
☐ Please tell me about Planned Giving!

Choose your area of support:

☐ Seismic Retrofit Fund
☐ Scholarship Fund
☐ Where It Is Needed Most

Join the Alumni Association

The BSCAA is a separate 501(c)(3) charitable non-profit organization. Your dues are tax-deductible contributions to the BSCAA.

Lifetime Membership, BSC Alumni Association
☐ $500 Lifetime Membership
☐ $250 Recent Grad Lifetime Membership

Annual Membership, BSC Alumni Association
☐ $50 Annual Membership
☐ $20 Recent Grad Annual Membership

The BSC wants to reach all alumni

bsc.coop/alumni/update

Moved? Changed your name? Different email address? Let us know so we can keep you informed about local events and BSC news that matter to you. Use the online form, or contact Madeleine Loh at (510) 649-8984 or mloh@bsc.coop

Mail in your contribution

☐ My check, payable to the BSC, is enclosed.

☐ Please charge my credit card $__________________.

Card No. ____________________________
Exp. Date ___________ CVV/CSC No. ___________

Signature ___________________________ Date _______

Name ______________________________
Address _____________________________
Email ______________________________
Phone ______________________________

Co-op(s) you lived in and years: ______________________

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR FALL 2018 ISSUE

APRIL 1, 2018

We welcome your submissions! Submissions may be edited for length and clarity, and publication may be postponed.

mloh@bsc.coop
The mission of the Berkeley Student Cooperative is to provide a quality, low-cost, cooperative housing community to university students, thereby providing an educational opportunity for students who might not otherwise be able to afford a university education.

SAVE THE DATE
Sunday, October 21, 2018, 12pm
Rochdale Village
2424 Haste St.
Berkeley, CA