



Bowles Hall

The Next Chapter

Dedicated to the re-establishment of the Bowles Hall Residential College experience in a restored Bowles Hall

President's Letter



Season's Greetings and My Personal Best Wishes to You and Your Family

BOWLES Hall is now in its third season of operation since its triumphant reopening in August 2016. By all accounts, our community of students and scholars is faring well under Dr. Dennis and Janice Lieu's leadership and compassionate care. There are 185 unique and compelling stories among our students—you'll see their proud faces throughout this newsletter—and they all unquestionably share the same love and gratitude for their Bowles Hall experiences as we did.

My request for your philanthropic support of the Bowles Hall Foundation (BHF) this year comes with a greater urgency than in previous years. While for the moment our overall financial condition remains strong, forecasts by the BHF leadership and governing board point to significant future concern over the portion of our budget supplied by gifts and

donations. As we are limited on how much rent we can charge to our students, BHF is responsible for many ongoing operational costs and building maintenance. Unfortunately, the fervor among alumni and friends that propelled the Hall's Grand reopening is cooling, and philanthropic support of BHF has steadily declined since 2016.

So, my mission now is to seek your renewed gifts and pledges this year and in the coming years. Our financial model is well designed, but the model's long-term success depends on a significant portion of philanthropic giving from alumni, parents, and friends. Thus, I ask you to consider placing BHF and our students among your top philanthropic priorities this year and into the future.

For those of you who may wish to designate your giving to a particular purpose at the Hall—perhaps to honor a friend, classmate, or family member—we will gladly accept commitments to support:

- Hart Library book and periodical acquisitions, technology, and collections;
- Speakers, lecturers, and visiting professionals-in-residence, all of whom interact with students personally, thus enriching their undergraduate experiences;
- BHF's alumni mentoring program matching accomplished and experienced alumni with students wishing to pursue graduate study or specific, professional careers;
- Other career counseling and preparation programs at the Hall;
- Off-campus experiential events and activities designed to broaden students' horizons and shape their citizenship;

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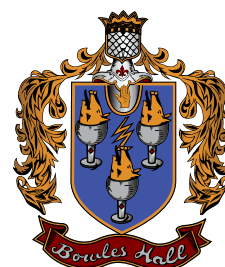
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Please don't forget Bowles Hall in your annual charitable giving plan. Alums are the key to our on-going success.



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- Naming student rooms; and
- Emergency funds for students whose family or personal circumstances require additional, unbudgeted funds.

Please consider a generous gift to BHF this year and in subsequent years. Your commitment may come in many forms: checks, stock or other securities you may own, grants from donor-advised funds within financial services companies or community foundations, and qualified distributions from IRAs or other retirement funds.

You may call or write me (john.a.baker.jr@

gmail.com or 916-806-4564) or Chuck Sizemore, our Director of Development, (chuck@cwsizemore.com or 650-776-7706) with any questions or comments you may have.

And, as always, Go Bears! 🐻

Sincerely,



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Robert A Sayles Leadership Award: Maxine Petrosino

About the Award

The Robert A. Sayles Leadership Award is given to the individual or individuals who have demonstrated outstanding leadership skills and a deep sense of dedication to the Hall. Presented annually by the Bowles Hall Foundation Board of Directors, its recipient is a graduating senior.

The restoration and revival of Bowles Hall would not have been possible without the extraordinary effort of Robert "Bob" Sayles. In order to preserve the Hall's soul and unique traditions, and preserve its history as one of Cal's great institutions, Bob rallied support from hundreds of alumni and special friends as well as the broader Cal community. Bob founded the Bowles Hall Alumni Association in 2005 and later the Bowles Hall Foundation. So it is fitting that the Robert A. Sayles

Leadership Award honors the student who inspires others with their leadership skills in the Hall and the greater campus community.

This past May, Maxine Petrosino was named as the first annual recipient. Over the years, Maxine has proven her appreciation for Bowles and those within it. She has been a part of Bowles since the Phoenix program and has gone on to contribute to

Hall culture and tradition as Social Chair, organizing events such as Yule Ball and Haunted House. Additionally, she frequently opens up her room for fellow residents to kick back and enjoy informal social events. Maxine graduated this past spring from the Haas School of Business with a degree in Business Administration and concentration in Marketing Strategy and Brand Management. She is now studying at Axon's Leadership Development Program in Scottsdale, Ari. She used the \$2,000 award to help get started in her new Southwestern life.

In Her Own Words

"I am so extremely grateful and proud to have received the first Bob Sayles leadership award," says Maxine. "To me, not only was it an honor to have my contributions to Bowles Hall and the Cal community recognized, it was also extremely meaningful to receive an award dedicated by Bob Sayles. I first met Bob when I was a freshman living in Stern and Bob inspired me to contribute to the development of Bowles Hall. I am blessed to consider him as of my greatest mentors in college. My four years of involvement with Bowles Hall were the most memorable parts of my college experience. I can't wait to visit Bowles again as an active alum and community volunteer." 🐻

Bob's son, Jeff, was honored to present the award to Maxine.



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Please accept my contribution of \$ _____ to the Bowles Hall Foundation to support the Bowles Hall Residential College.

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Please accept my one-time donation and contact me to discuss benefit options.

- ☐ **Tower Society:** \$100,000 or more
- ☐ **Philip E. & Mary Bowles Society:** \$35,000 to \$99,999
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- ☐ **Phoenix Society:** up to \$10,000

ENDOWMENTS

I would like to contribute to help underwrite the annual cost of the following program:

- ☐ **Library Fund:** Provides funding to ensure Hart Library contents are relevant and useful to today's students.
- ☐ **Student Professional Growth Fund:** Provides funds to assist residents become more job ready. *Example: Professional testing of aptitude and preferences.*
- ☐ **Scholar/Artist/CEO-in-Residence Series:** Enables interaction with subject matter experts and organizational leaders who broaden students' horizons. *Example: An evening with a noted expert on the current world economic situation.*
- ☐ **Celebrate-the-Arts Fund:** Support students experiencing the arts. *Example: Season tickets to the San Francisco Symphony and Opera.*
- ☐ **Robert A. Sayles Endowment:** Annually rewards current residents with funding for the upcoming academic year.

ADDITIONAL GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

I would like to talk with the Foundation about adding BHRC to my estate plans in the following manner:

- ☐ Bequest
- ☐ IRA Beneficiary Designation
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PAYMENT

- ☐ My check is enclosed made payable to **Bowles Hall Foundation**. Please contact me to discuss my specific wishes.

PLEDGES

- ☐ I would like to make a pledge. Please contact me to arrange a payment schedule.
- ☐ I would like to make a donation via Paypal. Please contact me with details.



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Bowles Student Snapshots

Current Freshmen



Sarah Pak

Sarah Pak, our resident angel, is someone we'd never expect to go to prison. However, in fifth grade she did (for a field trip,

of course). This experience sparked an interest in giving a voice to the voiceless that influences her to this day.

Throughout high school, Sarah worked with the California Association of Student Councils and passed two laws concerning school board reform.

"Students are the primary stakeholders of the education system," she says.

"We're the only ones directly affected by what the education system does."

At Cal, Sarah continues to represent fellow students in the Academic Affairs Department of the ASUC where she promotes mental health through wellness-centered events and resources. Sarah also recently joined a pre-law fraternity, Phi Alpha Delta, that makes her feel at home on campus. She hopes to become a lawyer in order to use her knowledge and skills for good. Whenever an opportunity arises, Sarah advocates for others.

Sarah's time at Bowles began a few days before most residents arrived when she worked on laundry with several upper classmen. "They made sure I wasn't feeling lonely," she says. After just three days, "I knew Bowles would be a great place."

Sarah is a big fan of the Bowles Buddy system. One of her favorite memories is "when my Bowles Buddy [Maev], Dom, Jay, Chloe, and I all sat in a circle talking during the Fall Soiree." When asked which three residents she would choose to be stuck on an island with, Sarah replied "Only three?" then proceeded to list Mason, Tanner, and Mel. "I always feel comfortable around Mason, and I can talk to him about anything. Tanner keeps everything poppin'. Mel gives the greatest life

advice. She's always busy yet she finds time for others. She's like an older sister to me."

If you're ever in need of a hug or a quality conversation, stop by Sarah Pak's room. She may even share one of the twenty-four Chobani yogurts she's hoarding in there.

— Meagan Helm

Current Sophomore



Chloe Akazawa

Bowles Hall has a certain definition of what it means to be funny. From the A.S.S.H.O.L.E to the Rites of Spring, this indelible Hall

culture breeds our sense of humor and our favorite memories. As the current A.S.S.H.O.L.E, it's thereby my honor to write about one of my funniest friends, Chloe Akazawa.

Chloe hails from Orange County and she's double majoring in French and Art History. She attended the prestigious Orange County School of the Arts, where she performed visual arts, and at Cal, she sings in various groups and is the photographer for GARB, a fashion club on campus. In Bowles, Chloe is responsible for taking care of the Hall cat, Bob Sayles, and is a frequent contributor of memes and positive energy to the Hall community.

One of the funniest aspects of Chloe is her podcast with friend and fellow sophomore Maeve Sneddon. Together, they form the guerilla podcast "I'll Say It" that spontaneously will record at random and often chaotic situations. During the show, the two hosts will discuss broad philosophical questions about love, identity and society in context of their current situations, such as running through Berkeley in the middle of the night. Episodes are as short as 30 seconds, yet each is unbelievably well balanced with notes

of sober reflection and hilarious takes and bits.

—Viraj Attre

Current Sophomore



Mary Carmen Reid

One of the most invaluable aspects of Bowles Hall is the sense of community and familiarity. Mary

Carmen Reid has gone the extra mile to make sure residents feel valued and known. As the newest Bowles Hall Health Worker, Mary Carmen—or MC as she is affectionately known—makes it a priority to have a personal connection with her peers. Majoring in Molecular and Engineering Biology, this sophomore is well on her way to filling big shoes.

She first became interested in becoming a health worker through the Tang Outreach Program, and after spending time with her Bowles Buddy and previous Bowles Hall Health Worker, Sara Jennifer Zaat.

"She is a seasoned health worker and I have a lot of respect for her," states Mary Carmen. Since Sara experienced more peer-health worker interactions than any other residential building on campus, Mary Carmen knew that this would be an intimate job. She was the freshman class co-representative along with Izzy Putterman, and ran on a platform of making her fellow residents feel known and integrated in the Bowles community.

"I don't know everything," she humbly confesses, "but communication is lubrication. My main goal is to be approachable."

Outside of the realm of Bowles Hall, Mary Carmen is involved with a Girls Group Mentoring Program, the Berkeley Food Pantry, and the Biofuels Technology Club—an on-campus

organization that is dedicated to reusing the cooking oil from Cal Dining facilities as biodiesel fuel. Although she recognized the importance of being involved with campus life, MC admires the individuals who are dedicated to building friendships and a sense of community here at Bowles. She compares the Hall to a more intimate club, and applauds those who invest in it to make it more special. "It's a good sign," she says, "it shows that people want to stay here in a healthy way."

For all questions relating to mental and sexual health, or a witty meme reference, hit up Mary Carmen and remember to keep the lines of communication flowing!

Current Sophomore



Sarah Hettema

One of the most daunting parts of college is the trial-and-error process of learning all the ins and outs of campus and

deciding your crowd. Golden Bear Orientation (GBO) is the time for incoming students to start figuring all of that out, and requires skilled GBO leaders to make the experience valuable and memorable. Sarah Hettema, a sophomore at Bowles intending to major in Environmental Science, has been making remarkable strides in helping new students learn the ropes through her work as a devoted GBO leader during the fall semester orientation week.

Sarah first became interested in becoming a leader through a close friend at Bowles, Anthony Sanchez, who encouraged her to join the program. Sarah's motivation for this huge time commitment was to make sure incoming students felt less overwhelmed and more connected, since not everyone has the privilege of living at a place like Bowles Hall.

"Bowles offers community right off the bat, but can be a double edged sword," she explains. She had been wanting to get more involved on campus, because even though Bowles is comfortable, it can be too comfortable, and easy to neglect immersing oneself in the greater Cal community.

However, the power of community must not be undervalued. Sarah led several incoming freshmen from Bowles in her GBO group, and felt like they immediately "clicked" due to being connected by the Hall. These incoming students looked up to Sarah as she confidently showed them campus shortcuts and other college life hacks. She remarked that it felt "cool to be the person with authority," who in the mind of her GBO group "knows everything about Berkeley."

Sarah has always been one to take initiative and boldly take the lead, such as the Gardening Committee she helped create along with Mrs. Lieu and several other classmates. She is also a role model for elementary school children dealing with learning disabilities. She works with an organization called Eye to Eye, a non-profit that helps children with learning disabilities communicate with their teachers and feel more comfortable using different tools to learn given their various sets of learning abilities.

"Everyone in the room has a disability, so we are on common ground," she says. Being able to act as an inspiration to a child who needs certain learning accommodations, "someone who inspires kids that you can go to college, go to a good college, that's pretty awesome." Overall Sarah is a lively, plant-loving character who inspires those around her to step out into the world with confidence.

Current Junior



Nick Scheuerman

One of the most recent additions to the student-run committees at Bowles Hall is the Running Club. Three days a week at 7am, a group

of sleepy-eyed residents trudge down the main steps to begin their day with a brisk run through the hills of Berkeley. This health-conscious committee was spearheaded by Nick Scheuerman, a junior studying Business Administration.

On campus, Nick is involved with the campus newspaper *The Daily Cal* as the Distribution Manager, making sure all the daily papers are correctly distributed and tracking readership analytics. This past summer Nick was handing out copies of *The Daily Cal* at the Berkeley Half Marathon, and decided that running a marathon seems pretty impressive so he wanted to give it a shot.

He started training at the beginning of the school year along with BHRC Dean of Students Dr. Melissa Bayne and several other running comrades, including Della, Maeve, Julia, Patrick, and Emily, which resulted in the formation of the Running Club.

"I don't like running" he admits, but does it for the small, consistent group that shows up on running mornings. After a while, the "runner's high" of endorphins kicks in, and everyone looks around at each other, sweaty and short of breath, and appreciates the early-morning feat that was just accomplished. At that point, "it feels like you're doing a good thing and it's nice to have your friends there with you doing that good thing, and shaming you for when you don't show up in the morning," he chuckles.

Next semester Nick will be going abroad to study business economics in the Netherlands, and will miss his dear friends Dominic, Jacob, and Jonathan, as well as his favorite Hall event, Spring Luau. However, come fall of 2019 Nick will be ready to sprint into senior year for a year of action and Bowles spirit! 🏃‍♂️

Recent Hall Events





For many years, the technical goal of the Bowles Hall restoration project was to rehabilitate a facility whose maintenance needs had long been deferred by campus administration. The Hall was stripped to its bones then painstakingly rebuilt to reclaim its place as a campus jewel. But all along, the purpose of the effort was to restore the spirit of the Hall. As you can see in these pictures, that spirit is once again alive and well. From socials to tailgates, football games to excursions, our residents gather and enjoy life together. We'd love for you to return to join us. 🏡



BHRC Principal Update

by Dennis Lieu



THE 2018 Spring semester wound down with a Senior Dinner to honor residents who completed their undergraduate degree programs. The departure of our friends, many of whom had been residents of Bowles Hall since it reopened in 2016, was both a happy and a sad occasion. While their

departure marked the beginning of a new phase in their lives, it also meant that we would be seeing less of them hanging around the halls of the Hall. We certainly wish them the best in their future endeavors, and hope to see many of them return as engaged alumni. As the Spring ended, the four-week lull in the building's activities until the Summer Sessions presented an opportunity to perform a few upgrades around the building. The Newman Dining Commons received new curtains and acoustic paneling to make that room much more comfortable and versatile for events such as lectures, dances, and concerts, as well as for everyday dining and studying.

The new academic year began even before the Fall semester with the arrival of 40 Chinese students at the Hall on June 15, eventually expanding to 175 on July 1, for a summer-long international study program. These students experienced living and studying at an elite American university, while helping the Hall maintain financial viability and keeping the rents low for the Hall's regular residents over the regular academic year. We look forward to the return of participants from the Study Abroad Foundation next summer. The beginning of the Fall semester saw 187 of the available 188 beds occupied (due to one last-minute drop-out) including 60 new residents, with 44 of these being very eager freshmen. The impressive 72% return rate of those eligible to return from the previous Spring (i.e. not including seniors who graduated or exchange students who returned home) was a record high.

Sadly, the Fall semester also saw the departure of Dr. Alexei Vranich after two years of tireless service as the resident Program Director and Assistant Dean. During his time at Bowles Hall, Alexei certainly made his mark, and is

credited with maintaining or restarting many of the traditions that made Bowles Hall unique among all living units at the University. He will be remembered

as the resident faculty member who always had his door open, ready to engage in academic or social conversation with whomever happened

to drop in, and the person who always had time to listen whenever anyone needed someone to talk to. Dr. Vranich is currently finishing his book and resuming his professional career, which he had generously placed on hold to ensure that Bowles Hall got off to a successful start.

In-house dining just keeps on improving. New Head Chef Floyd Williams and his staff have brought new flair and creativity to the in-house food service, often going rogue on the standard corporate menu, to the delight of the residents. Together with a 6% increase in food budget, newly installed state-of-the-art ovens, and some very talented new cooks, Bowles Hall undoubtedly has the best food of any on-campus housing unit.

Tea Time continues to grow in popularity. Held every Tuesday evening in the Lounge, attendance has increased to 60–80 residents each week. At least 4 different types of teas, many of which were gifts from residents or their parents, are served. Mrs. Lieu and the Bowles Hall Cooking Club whip up new snacks each time, which ranged from chocolate chip zucchini bread to Chinese style mooncakes. The kitchen in the Principal's apartment is always busy earlier in the day. The Cooking Club also prepares different foods on a regular basis, usually served in the evenings on days when a late night snack is not available from the food service.

The Tailgate barbecues, held on the front lawn of the Hall with each home football game, have also grown in popularity. Organized by Pepe and Carol Davis, parents of current resident Marc Davis, alumni have a place to meet and eat with current students, their parents, and other alumni. Pepe and Carol volunteer to do all of the prep, set-up, cooking, and clean-up. The students, alumni, and the Foundation are grateful for their efforts. If you weren't able to make one of our Tailgates this season, please allow me to strongly encourage you to join us next season. Bowles alums are especially welcomed.

Altogether, the summer and fall this past year have been fun and productive. The residents are always excited and engaged. We are looking forward to more adventures in the spring. 🍷



Residents making Challah.



Cooking in the Principal's apartment.

BHAA President Report

by Dakota Brubaker



DURING my three years at Bowles Hall Residential College, I have had the honor of bearing witness to the formation of our current Hall culture, of which I am immensely proud.

Through many laughs, arguments, friendships, and hours of hard work, our community has taken shape.

Based on the traditions and ideals of the past while also possessing aspects unique to the current residents and our visions for the future of Bowles, our Hall has found itself with a stable identity for the first time since its reopening. We are witnessing the results of having the first iteration of Bowles Hall residents coming of age and casting the realization of the hard-fought dream of those who pushed for its rebirth. Residents have been building community here at Bowles for three years, showcasing the impact of residential college and more importantly how important the Bowles Hall experience can be for students here at UC Berkeley.

The Bowles Hall Residential College experience is about enrichment. Our residents have traveled the world together. We have experienced the first moments of adulthood together. We have found new identities and helped fellow residents through moments of doubt, both personal and academic. It is a community where support is bountiful and adventure is endless, a platform from which we are embracing the challenges that will be presented in the next stages of our lives.

I'm proud to say that as Bowles has continued to grow, our collection of students has begun to recognize the importance of an experience like Bowles Hall, and how truly fortunate we are to have this opportunity. This has started conversations that can hopefully in the future lead to scholarships or customized lease plans to help ensure that low income students are able to enjoy the benefits of living in Bowles. We have also begun conversations on the importance of establishing an alumni network to

...the dream of Bowles Hall is an enriching experience where support is bountiful and adventure is endless, ready to enter the next stages of life with countless memories and skills.

ensure that the Bowles community is connected and never dies. Bowles also has thriving cultures throughout the Hall that have lead to committees ranging from Philanthropy to Theatre Nights, students here at Bowles are truly able to congregate and garner support for what drives them, whether academic or recreational.

I'm also proud to say that the Hall Association has ratified a Judicial Committee so that we can now handle disputes amongst ourselves, moving us toward being a more autonomous Hall. We have also seen immense success with the undergraduate fellow program. The office hours are well advertised and successful, and their efforts to provide us with resources such as Chegg has been immensely helpful and appreciated. We also have assembled a representative committee to conduct interviews for the new Program Director, and are very excited to be able to include and voice the needs of students in the hiring process. In the coming months, we aim to not only conduct successful social events including Yule Ball and Big Game Dinner, but also to continue to make Bowles a more philanthropic and socially-aware community that will continue to help foster the successful Bowles Hall culture and family that we all know and love.

The Bowles Hall dream is alive and well. The success of this model can be recognized by those at the University and adopted for future student housing structures. I know for myself this Hall has changed my life, and I have watched as friends have grown and found new grace, which has been an immense blessing. I hope that many future generations of Bowles residents can walk these halls – young, hopeful, and glad to be surrounded by family. 🏡

Big Game Dinner



Though smoke from the devastating Northern California fires moved Big Game to early December, our Big Game Dinner tradition continued. Dozens of alumni joined Hall residents for a night of fun and good cheer. We look forward to seeing you next year.



Departed Alums



Jim Griggs (1934-2018)

Bowles Class of '57

It's not an understatement to suggest that the new Bowles Hall may have never

happened had it not been for Jim Griggs. At a critical time during renovation, Jim stepped forward to arrange for and co-sign a bridge loan that kept the project afloat. We lost Jim this year and we'll be eternally grateful for his support and generosity.

Jim was a successful and respected real estate professional, world traveler, avid golfer and fly fisherman. He was quick to jump in when he recognized a need, bringing a group together to solve the problem at hand. He loved people, having fun with his friends, and creating situations that set the stage to do that. He became lifelong friends with the people he met professionally and often found ways to work with his friends from other parts of his life.

Hailing from Sacramento, Jim studied real estate and finance at Cal while also finding time to serve as Hall president. After graduation, he landed in the real estate division of Northwestern Mutual Life but found his passion in the mortgage side of the business when he moved to Buhler Mortgage Company where we would eventually become president. He would go on to become a bit of a legend in the space, starting and leading several companies as he and his wife Gail settled in Monterey where he was actively involved in the peninsula's expansive golf community.

Jim enjoyed the simple things in life as much as the extravagant ones: a brisk morning walk on the beach, sitting down with a cup of black coffee and a stack of newspapers, the sunset with a glass of wine. Affectionately known by his friends as Griggsy, Jimmy, and even The Great Griggsby, he accomplished much and leaves behind a wide circle of family and friends with fond memories of time spent together. He long enjoyed traveling with his wife and family, including regular trips to Nairn, Scotland, and Augusta, Ga., for The Masters. They especially loved spending time at his home on the North Coast of California, enjoying time relaxing and watching the waves with Gail and his two Maltese pups, Skye and Alfie.

Jim is survived by Gail, his wife of 43 years, four children, 11 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.



Don Leddy (1923-2018)

Bowles Class of '48

World War II Army veteran. Longtime public servant. Lifelong Bears fan. And

former Bowles Hall president. Such were but four of the proud titles credited to Don Leddy when he passed away peacefully on September 10. He was 95.

Born in Pasadena, Calif. in 1923 and schooled at Bakersfield High School, Don began working toward his B.A. in political science at Cal but his studies were interrupted to serve as an Army staff sergeant during the war. In 1945, he found himself with the U.S. occupation forces in Italy, and it turned out to be a momentous experience. While stationed in a castle evacuated by retreating German forces in the northern Italian province of Friuli, he met the woman of his dreams: Nives.

After the war, he returned to California to complete his degree at Cal and serve as one of Bowles Hall's early presidents. He also continued to correspond with Nives for the next three years and returned to her in Italy immediately after graduating in 1948. They married and settled in California, where they spent the next 70 years together. Along the way, they raised four children.

Don enjoyed a long career in public service, serving in county government in Kern County, as County Executive of Yuba County for 10 years, and as a management consultant in Marin County, where he lived for over 40 years in Greenbrae.

Fluent in Italian, Don enjoyed many trips to Italy with his wife and met up with his Cal friends every year at the Big Game. A news buff who kept copies of the San Francisco Chronicle in his garage as a reference archive in the days before the internet, he also enjoyed reading biographies and listening to opera. After Don's retirement, he and Nives traveled around the world.

In addition to his wife, Don is survived by their children, Mary Margaret Leddy of Mill Valley, CA; Annette Leddy of New York, NY; Don Leddy of Santa Monica, CA; and John Leddy of Los Altos, CA. He is also survived by five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

He was buried in the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon, Calif. 🇺🇸



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 - **Key happenings inside the Hall**
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Note to newsletter recipients:

In the interest of achieving broad readership regarding the progress of the re-establishment of the Bowles Hall Residential College, we mail a hard copy of our newsletter to alumni and friends for whom we don't have an email address. If you wish to change your delivery method, please email Katherine Willett at katie_willett@berkeley.edu.

Exploring the expansive world beyond the academics of Berkeley is a critical part of the Bowles Hall Residential College experience. Be it backpacking in the Sierras or attending the San Francisco Opera, alums like you help enrich the lives of those who will one day soon be our country's leaders.

