
Skull and Dagger



DATES SET FOR 1996

Morley Medallions To Be Presented At Events

The 1996 initiation events will be highlighted by the second presentation of the John V. Morley Medallion to members of the Society for whom 50 years have passed since their initiation. The first presentation included all members present who had been initiated in 1945 or before. In addition to including members from prior years who had not been able to attend previously, in 1996 the Society will honor the members initiated 50 years ago in 1946.

The dates for the 1996 events have been tentatively established. The initiation breakfast will be held on Saturday morning, April 27 at the Faculty Center on the USC Campus. The initiation dinner dance has been set for Saturday evening, May 4. The location has yet to be set.

All Society members will receive formal invitations and reply cards for both events during March.

The voluntary dues of the Skull and Dagger Society, which are now payable, have been held at \$30 for 1996 by the Society's Executive Committee. A pre-addressed reply envelope is enclosed for the convenience of members.

The dues are particularly important in funding the payment of the expenses for our annual initiation classes, including all events, membership certificates and pins. In 1978, the Society began funding the costs for the initiates to insure that no tappee, particularly students, would be forced to turn down the honor of membership in the Skull and Dagger Society, or forgo attending events, for financial reasons.

The dues reply envelope also contains special lines to allow members to participate in the scholarship program of the Skull and Dagger Foundation. During 1988, the Foundation was

established to promote educational and charitable endeavors to benefit the University of Southern California and its students. The Foundation administers the Dr. Kenneth Owler Smith Memorial Scholarship, which was established to honor the memory of Dr. Smith, who was Permanent Master of the Society from 1983 to 1988.

Since 1990, due to the generosity of our members, the Foundation has been able to provide two scholarships each year while continuing to increase endowment funds. To date, 13 students have been assisted by the Foundation in completing their education at USC. In 1995, the Foundation received several thousand dollars in donations from Society members who added \$10 or more to their normal dues remittance.

To insure the ability of the Society to assist our initiation classes and continue the work of the organization, please join the hundreds of Skull and Dagger members who annually send in their dues.

Nominations Sought for Arnold Eddy Service Award

The Society is now soliciting nominees for the Arnold Eddy Service Award.

The award was established in 1992 to honor Arnold Eddy, Permanent Master of the Society from 1942 to 1955. The award honors a *Skull and Dagger member* who has given loyal and dedicated service to the University, with specific attention to those who labor behind the scenes without regard to whether they receive public recognition. The first three awards were made to Lorna Reed, John Argue and Phyllis Cooper.

Members may submit a written nomination, detailing the member's accomplishments and service. Endorsement letters are not expected. The committee will consider and evaluate all nominations, along with prior nominees and members known to the committee, in making a final selection.

For 1996 consideration, nominations must be received by March 1, 1996 and should be directed to Lorna Y. Reed, Committee Chair, Skull and Dagger Society, P.O. Box 18344, Los Angeles, CA 90018.

Foundation Report

The annual report of the Skull and Dagger Foundation will be presented in full in the spring issue of the Skull and Dagger newsletter.

In summary, during 1995, the Foundation has again increased its assets while continuing to award two Dr. Kenneth Owler Smith Scholarships and undertaking a fund raising drive for the Wall of Scholars project.

Qualifications for Society Membership

The following are the qualifications for consideration for election to membership in the Skull and Dagger Society. *Generally, a nominee, through his or her own individual efforts, must have improved or excelled in the organization, activity, or position in which he or she has served.*

The selection committee evaluates the qualifications and accomplishments of the nominees, in comparison with not only other nominees but with those selected to the Society in recent years. There is no quota, either minimum or maximum, for the number of persons selected for membership in any of the categories. Those selected for membership must attend either the initiation breakfast or dinner-dance, each held in the late spring.

Persons are selected for membership in the Society in one of three classes: students (undergraduate and graduate); faculty, staff and administration; and alumni or honorary members.

On the nomination form, it is very important for the nominator to provide sufficient information on the nominee and to insure that all questions are answered fully so that the committee is able to have a full picture of the work and accomplishments of the nominee. *If available without directly notifying the nominee of your intent to nominate him or her, a copy of their resume is often very helpful to the committee.*

Students

Student members are awarded the honor of membership because they have attained distinction either because of personal prowess, ability or accomplishments. This includes students who have attained distinction or provided exceptional service to the University in areas such as, but not limited to, intercollegiate athletics, student publications, student or University organizations, service to the community or special achievements bringing honor to the individual or University.

Academic accomplishments, while considered in concert with other activities, are not a sole qualification for membership. While the Society Constitution requires only a minimum 2.0 grade point average for selection, *academic excellence is expected.*

Students, both graduate and undergraduate, have generally been selected at the end of their final year of matriculation following several years of service and achievement at the University in a number of different areas. Any time students have been initiated earlier in their career at the University, they have always shown both evidence of exceptional service or achievement and the promise for continuing contributions. The fact that a student has been nominated before his or her final year and is not selected in no way reduces a student's chance for selection later.

The students who have been selected for Skull and Dagger have either excelled in one area of student activities, such as winning All-American honors, or served as team captains,

publications editors or president (or the equivalent) of major campus-wide organizations **OR** have shown a significant record of accomplishment in a large variety of different organizations and groups. However, simply having been the president of a campus organization is not sufficient for selection. *It must be shown on the nomination form how the nominee improved or excelled in the organization, activity or position in which he or she served.*

Faculty / Staff / Administration

Members of the faculty, staff or administration are honored because of their outstanding service to the students of the University or the University itself. Those honored have always gone above and beyond the call of duty to help either students, the University or both over the course of many years with the University. Rarely has anyone with under five years of service at the University been elected in this category.

Alumni and Honorary

Alumni and Honorary members are elected to the Society for a variety of reasons: a continuing and long-term commitment to and effort on behalf of the University by working with student groups or University volunteer or support organizations; outstanding service to the community by accomplishments in the business sector or public service and bringing fame and honor to the University.

Most persons elected in this category are alumni of the University. When persons who are not alumni of the University have been selected, they have shown evidence of substantial commitment and loyalty to the University.

March 1 Nomination Deadline for 1996 Class

The Executive Committee of the Skull and Dagger Society is pleased to solicit nominations for membership for the 1996 Skull and Dagger class.

On this page is a brief statement as to the qualifications for membership into the Society. Enclosed is the nomination form. If you need additional nomination forms, please feel free to simply photocopy the sheets and submit as many nominations in the three categories of membership as you deem appropriate. All nominations **MUST** be submitted on a nomination form.

To insure that your nomination is able to receive full consideration by the Tapping Committee, please make sure that the form is returned to the mailing address listed on the form not later than Friday, March 1, 1996. Please make sure that all of the questions on the form are completely answered to allow the committee to provide appropriate consideration of the nominee.

Skull and Dagger Member News

David M. Cooney (1951) has retired from his position as president and CEO of Goodwill Industries International Inc. A retired admiral, he had held the position since 1981.

Carl R. Terzian (1956) has been elected to the board of directors of Transamerica Investors Inc. and M/S Database Marketing of West Los Angeles and to the advisory board of the *Los Angeles Business Journal*.

Michael V. Paulin (1963), chairman and CEO of Marc Hotels & Resorts Inc., has been elected chairman of the Pacific Asia Travel Association.

Thomas E. Lasswell (1972) received a doctor of humane letters from Lyon College, his alma mater. A professor emeritus of sociology at USC, he now teaches behavioral science at Cal Poly Pomona.

Jonathan Trutter (1979) has been appointed a portfolio manager for the Kemper Multi-Market Income Trust and the Kemper Strategic Income Fund by Kemper Financial Services.

Glenn A. Wilk (1981) has been named marketing manager for bicycle manufacturer Motiv Sports Inc.

Wally Bobkiewicz (1988) has been appointed Manager of Telecommunications for the City of Long Beach after serving as Assistant to the City Manager since January 1993.

Gregory Larson (1992) is now attending the University of the Pacific Dental School in San Francisco. He also continues his swimming career as a member of the Olympic Club Masters Swim Team.

John R. MacRill III (1994) has been selected to the Gafford National Moot Court Trial Team at California Western School of Law. The team recently won the San Diego Defense Lawyers Trial Competition, which includes 15 other law schools from throughout California.

Of the 24 new members of the USC Athletic Hall of Fame, 18 of the persons inducted on June 17, 1995 are members of the Society. They are **Dean Cromwell (1916)**, coach of 12 NCAA track championship teams and coach of the football team for five years; **Morley Drury (1928)**, USC's first 1,000-yard rusher; **John Ferraro (1945)**, two-time All-American tackle and four-year letterman; **Mal Florence (1965)**, a sportswriter for the *Los Angeles Times*; **Jess Hill (1930)**, a player, coach and athletic director over a span of six decades; **Julie Kohl (1985)**, for more than 50 years the owner of Julie's Restaurant and a constant supporter of USC sports; **Ronnie Lott (1981)**, a four-year letterman at safety; **Marlin McKeever (1960)**, a two-time All-American and three-year letterman at end and two-year letterman in track; **Michael McKeever (1960)**, an All-American at guard and letterman and two-year letterman in track; **Orville Mohler (1932)**, an All-American back and three-year letterman; **John Naber (1977)**, the winner of the 1977 Sullivan Award, and winner of 10 NCAA swimming titles and four Olympic gold medals in 1976; **Charles Paddock (1920)**, a four-year letterman in track, he set 13 world and U.S. records and was the original "World's Fastest Human;" **Mel Patton (1948)**, set world records in the 100 and 220 yard dashes and won three

NCAA titles; **Giles Pellerin (1974)**, since 1926, he has attended 763 consecutive Trojan football games, home and away; **Tom Seaver (1973)**, a letterman in 1965 and USC's only member of the Baseball Hall of Fame; **Gus Shaver (1944)**, he led the Trojans in rushing in 1931 and lettered for three years; **David Stockton (1970)**, the 1963 AAWU golf champion who has won 17 PGA and Senior titles; and **Irving (Cotton) Warburton (1935)**, lettered for three years at tailback.

Births

Douglas S. Thompson (1984) and Kathryn B. Thompson, a daughter, Emma Sophia.

John P. Nash, M.D. (1986) and Susan McDermott Nash, twin sons, Connor Kieran and Quinn Sheehan.

Joseph C. Cleveland Jr., M.D. (1987) and Kimberly King Cleveland, a son, Joseph Cornelius III.

In Memoriam

J. Burke Long (1926), October 5, 1995.

Dr. Albert C. Chatton (1933), August 9, 1995. Dr. Chatton was a retired optometrist. He is survived by his wife, Inge, and four sons.

John B. Seixas (1935), August 9, 1995.

Thomas W. Lawless (1936), November 15, 1995. Mr. Lawless had been a newspaper reporter with the *Los Angeles Times*, publicist for the University and the Los Angeles Turf Club and magazine editor and publisher in the construction field. At USC, he was associate director of the news bureau, managing editor of the award winning *Alumni Review*, and director of the athletic news service. For a number of years, he also edited the Trojan football program and NCAA track and field programs. He was responsible for accumulation of the earliest data in the University's sports history. As a student, he was editor of the *Daily Trojan* and sports editor of the *El Rodeo* yearbook. He is survived by his wife, Arlene Smith Lawless; sons, Michael Lawless and Patrick Lawless and a granddaughter.

Jack L. Warner Jr. (1938), April 2, 1995. Mr. Warner, son of the Warner Bros. co-founder, was an executive and a director with the studio. In 1959, he formed his own production company. After his retirement in 1982, he turned to writing, producing the novels *Bijou Dream* and *The Dream Factory*. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, two daughters and a grandson.

William Hanson (1944), May 2, 1995. Mr. Hanson and his father founded Hanson's Real Estate in Yucca Valley in 1960. He served as president of the local real estate board and was involved in the founding of High Desert Hospital. After his retirement, he was active in the Living Stream Christian Fellowship. During World War II, he served in the Navy aboard the USS Iowa. He is survived by his wife, Dottie; three daughters; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandchild and a sister.

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Member News

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James E. Mann (1944).

William B. Duce (1946), July 13, 1995. Mr. Duce was a graduate of the USC Law Center and practiced in Beverly Hills for some years. He also had a cattle ranch in Montana, a business in Lake Stevens, Wash., and practiced law in Sacramento before his retirement in 1983. He is survived by his wife, Peggy Swinborne Duce; two daughters, Antoinette Hall and Suzanne Wiese and three sons, Kenneth Duce, John Duce and Joel Duce, five sisters, a brother, 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

C.M. "Morey" Thomas (1948), February 23, 1995. Mr. Thomas fought at the Battle of the Bulge and later saw duty in the occupation of Austria. At USC, he was a member of Chi Phi, Squires, Knights and Blue Key and was the editor of the 1948 *El Rodeo* yearbook. Mr. Thomas worked for the Red Cross, Fluor Corp., and Parker & Sons legal publishers. He was the secretary of the General Alumni Association during the 1950's and national president of the Chi Phi fraternity. He is survived by a sister and two nephews.

Leroy G. Black II (1959), March 16, 1995. Mr. Black had retired from teaching in June 1994 at the age of 57 after many years with the Los Angeles Unified School District. He is survived by a son, Kevin Roy Black and a sister, Catherine N. Black.

Lyndon E. Robb (1960), September 13, 1995. Mr. Robb, 92, was a graduate of the University's first School of Business class in 1924. He pursued a career in real estate management and investment. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Frances Goodcell, and daughter, Jean Robb Linn. He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Leona; his daughter, Alice Robb Macy; eight grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren and a brother.

Lowry B. McCaslin (1961), August 6, 1995. Mr. McCaslin was a veteran San Gabriel Valley real estate developer who turned his Monterey Park sand and gravel pit into a 73-acre industrial park. Mr. McCaslin came to the University on a basketball scholarship but quickly switched to football, playing on Howard Jones' championship team and was named an All-American in 1928 and to the All Pacific Coast team in 1929. A member of Sigma Chi, he was a roommate of John Wayne. He later appeared as an extra in some of the actor's films. During World War II, he was a Navy lieutenant. Mr. McCaslin is survived by his wife of 55 years, Polly; a sister, Ruth, seven children and 10 grandchildren.

E. Kent Springer (1961), December 4, 1995. Dr. Springer was a professor emeritus of engineering who helped develop systems to prevent contamination of drinking water. For two decades, he headed USC's Foundation for Cross-Connection Control and Hydraulic Research. He was educated at USC and the University of Wisconsin. He was a member of the USC faculty from 1946 until his retirement in 1984.

G. Everett Miller (1962), August 31, 1995. Mr. Miller was an attorney and in the oil business having previously owned

and operated a tungsten mill near Bishop, CA. He graduated from the USC Law Center in 1930, and was captain of the tennis team for two years and a member of Sigma Chi. He served as President of the General Alumni Association from 1963-1964, served on the University's Board of Trustees and was an endowed member of the USC Associates. He was a Trustee Emeritus of the Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History and served on the Board of the First United Methodist Church of Santa Monica. He is survived by his wife of over 60 years, Dorothy Llewellyn Miller; son D. Llewellyn Miller (1972), and two granddaughters.

John J. Tuttle (1964), November 27, 1995. Mr. Tuttle had served as publisher of the *Valley Times*. He was very involved as a member of the North Hollywood Kiwanis, North Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, Valley YMCA Board of Directors, Valley Youth Foundation, Vikings of Scandia and as a Mason and Shriner. He was also a charter member of the Newport Beach Kiwanis Club. At the University, he was affiliated with Delta Tau Delta and Delta Sigma Pi. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Virginia Lee Tuttle; daughter, Barbara Crow; son, Howard Tuttle; and three grandchildren.

Darve J. Davidson (1966), May 19, 1995. Mr. Davidson was a pioneer in the automatic vending business having founded the Davidson Automatic Merchandising Co. in 1936. The company merged with another in 1959 to become ARA Services, where he served as its chief executive officer for 16 years and then chairman of the board before retiring in 1977. He served as a member of the University Board of Trustees from 1970 to 1979. The Davidson Conference Center is named for Davidson and his wife Charlotte. He was also a trustee of the Los Angeles Orthopaedic Hospital, director emeritus of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and a past president of the Foundation for the Junior Blind and the Great Western Council for the Boy Scouts of America. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte; a son, Harold; a daughter, Celia Farkas; three grandchildren and a sister.

Durward Howes III (1971), September 27, 1995. Mr. Howes is survived by his wife, Mimi Howes; and children Cinty Howes Springstead, Dana Howes Anderson, B.D. Howes IV, Mary Devin Howes, Brett Howes Hunter and Briant Howes; nine grandchildren, his mother, Maxine Howes, and a sister.

Jane Louise Jarvis (1988), September 22, 1995. Mrs. Jarvis was active in many University support groups and other organizations that furthered the cause of education. She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Ernest V. Jarvis (1988); her sons, Arliss Jarvis and Van Jarvis, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Member News

Skull and Dagger depends on you to provide the information for our "Member News" column. Please let us know information either about yourself or other members of the Society. Material about career changes, accomplishments, marriages, births and information for "In Memoriam" may be sent to the Society at P.O. Box 18344, Los Angeles, CA 90018.