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The new Spring Semester DPE Meeting was held Feb. 9th in a meeting room of the MLK building. President Winston Le highlighted the ambitious speaker program planned, Gloria Acosta, in charge of the pledge program, outlined a most interesting pledge project for the new pledges, and Reid Tileston, the Treasurer, displayed the new DPE T-shirts. He is also anxious to have all members send in their membership dues which are \$85 for new pledges and \$45 for members. A new Cultural Chair was created and Kate Calligaro volunteered to publish a schedule of interesting public events taking place at Cal and the Bay Area that may serve as outing places for members. Quietly taking notes was Catriona Webster (an exchange student from Scotland) who is the chapter's secretary.

“Max”imilian Schutze, the past DPE president, was also at the meeting. As president emeritus he generously offered his advice and passed on all his records including a new DPE banner to Winston.

Winston asked me to say a few words. I told them it is vitally important to seek out new students, bring them to a meeting and then have them sign up. Twenty-eight gained full DPE membership at the end of the Fall Semester. It would be reasonable to expect the present group to attract another 25 new pledges so that membership by the end of the present academic year comes to slightly over 50. That should be a goal. Winston, Max and others feel that the best way is by word of mouth. Max already has two good prospects lined up.

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New DPE T-shirts: I encourage all alumni members to order one or two of the new DPE T-shirts. Several were on display at the Feb. 9th meeting and I immediately procured one for myself. The shirt is black with DPE Greek letters in a bright gold on the front. A small “Cal” is on one of the upper sleeves. I’m sure you’ll be delighted to have this T-shirt. Cost is \$15 and this includes packaging and shipping; a real bargain. Send your check to Mr. Reid Tileston, 2728 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, CA 94704. Sizes are: S, M, L, and XL. Reid is the treasurer of the Epsilon Chapter. His phone number is (650) 483-2201 (a cell number to be sure).

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Next Initiation Banquet: Saturday, April 3. Restaurant to be selected later. Here is a great opportunity for alumni members to meet the new DPE students at Cal. Wives or a significant other are most welcome. Reserve this date!

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Speaker Schedule: One improvement is to schedule and set speaker meetings well in advance and announce these events on the DPE website. All of you are most welcome to attend any of the Cal DPE Meetings. Here is a posting of coming events:

February 26th, 6:15 – 8:00 PM, East Madrone Room, MLK building. The speaker is **Ms. Monica Eppinger**, formerly a Foreign Service Officer, now a graduate student who has her sights set on a Ph.D. in Anthropology and a law degree from Boalt Hall. Monica recently finished a 5 year diplomatic career and she will talk about her experiences as a Foreign Service Officer.

March 10th, 6:15 – 8:00 PM, West Madrone Room, MLK building (this is the large building on the left side as you enter the campus from Bancroft, main entrance to Sather Gate). The speaker is **Dr. David K. Leonard**, Dean of the School of International and Area Studies, Stephens Hall. He is an expert on African states and their politics.

April 14th, 6:15 PM, West Madrone Room, MLK building. The speaker is **Dr. George Breslauer**, Professor of Political Science, an expert on the former Soviet Union, Russia and Eastern Europe.

Some of you may remember **Chalmers Johnson**, who received a Ph.D. in political science in the 50s. He was a protégé of Dr. Robert Scalapino. Chalmers is now a professor emeritus, UC San Diego. Winston hopes to get him to a DPE meeting this spring.

Other potential speakers may include presidential candidates, U.S. congressional members from Northern CA and foreign ambassadors visiting the Bay area from Washington, D.C.

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New DPE Epsilon Chapter Website: Thanks to Alex Branigan, DPE Webmaster, we now have a very professional looking and well-organized website at: <http://dpe.berkeley.edu>

Alex posts all the meeting announcements, news of the active chapter and the alumni association. You should post this website as one of your Favorites, so you can easily find out what's happening.

Two very nice photos of the new members at the November Initiation Banquet can be pulled up. Click on "Meet the Members" in the left sidebar. Be patient, it takes time for the photos to appear.

Terry Boyle has worked over the national website, upgraded it and added much historical data of value to make it a very friendly website. Check it out at: www.deltaphiepsilon.net

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I'd like to thank several DPE brothers who sent a donation to the Scleroderma Foundation in the memory of George Kubin, who passed away on 12/20/03. George fought this deadly disease for four long years. This giving is in place of a floral display I had in mind if a funeral service were to be held. This did not happen. If any of you would like to do likewise, send your check to: Scleroderma Foundation, 12 Kent Way, Suite 101, Byfield, MA 01922.

That's it for now. With best wishes to all, *Rudy Wagner*