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President Barack Obama is joined on stage after his speech by Gov. Pat Quinn (left) and State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias (right).

Senate Candidate Alexi Giannoulias speaks at International House

On October 25, International House hosted a candidate forum to discuss the role of the minority and youth vote in the 2010 mid-term elections. Senate candidate Alexi Giannoulias was questioned by a panel of University of Chicago students and community members. The discussion ranged from the current economic crisis to immigration policy. The program was co-sponsored by the Organization of Black Students, the Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture and the International House Global Voices Program.
Transitions

After six years as Director of International House, William L. McCartney left the University of Chicago, effective October 6, for a position as Associate Vice Chancellor for Campus Living and Dining Services at East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina. As Director of International House, McCartney led the community through a lengthy and substantial restoration process. As part of the renovations, the House’s facilities were updated, safety upgrades were made, and the House was made accessible to those with disabilities. McCartney provided dedicated service with a strong focus on the well-being of the residents of International House. Among his other accomplishments, McCartney helped strengthen the International Houses Worldwide (IHWW), an organization of seventeen international houses from four continents which serves as a resource to preserve and enhance our shared mission and vision of a global community.

Katie Callow-Wright, Associate Dean of Students and Director of Undergraduate Student Housing, has agreed to serve as the Interim Director of International House and the Office of Event Services. Callow-Wright has served the University of Chicago community for over ten years and has extensive residence life experience. A search is currently underway to fill the position of Director of International House on a permanent basis.

I-House Residents present Davis Peace Projects

International House residents and guests gathered in the Main Lounge on Sunday, November 14, to hear presentations by three students who were Davis Projects for Peace grant recipients in the summer of 2010. These grants are made possible by Kathryn Wasserman Davis, an accomplished internationalist and philanthropist and an alumna of I-House New York.

Li Chen is a graduate student in International Relations and past recipient of the Gioh Fang and T.S. Ma Endowed Residential Fellowship at International House. Chen used the grant to promote communication and understanding between students from China and Taiwan by sponsoring a conference titled, Cross-Strait Student Leadership Conference (CSSLC).

Ifrah Magan is a student at the University of Chicago’s School of Social Service Administration. Magan used the grant to help empower refugees living in the Chicago-area through literacy programs and peace workshops.

Ioana Tchoukleva is a 2010 graduate of the College at the University of Chicago with a focus on international studies. Tchoukleva used the grant to start a bakery with a women’s empowerment group in Rwanda. Wanda Bakery was able to raise enough money to become a sustainable business providing essential aid to a group of thirty orphaned girls allowing them to become self sufficient and to gain access to education.

These three projects are among the twenty-two projects from members of International Houses Worldwide funded at $10,000 each for implementation during the summer of 2010. Follow the progress of the Davis Projects for Peace through online journals at www.ihouse-nyc.org. Watch the International House Web site for information and applications for the 2011 Davis Peace Projects.

Where We Come From

During the 2010–2011 year, International House residents come from 41 countries and study or work at 35 different colleges, universities, or institutions.
2010 Volunteer Caucus—
A Picture Perfect Weekend

Former residents and friends of International House attended this year’s University of Chicago Volunteer Caucus. Together more than 200 alumni from across the University gathered in Chicago for the Volunteer Caucus held October 8–9. Speakers included Board of Trustees Chair Andrew M. Alper, AB’80, MBA’81, and Vice President of Alumni Relations and Development Thomas J. Farrell. At the volunteer fair, University representatives—including International House—provided information about how interested alumni could get involved with the University. The International House information table was staffed by 2010–2011 Metcalf Interns.

On the Shelf—at International House

Weather Knight—A World War II Biography of Frank H. Braunlich Jr. by Tom Braunlich, 2010. This is the story of Frank H. Braunlich, Jr. and his intriguing experiences as an Army Air Corps weather forecaster. The book provides an authentic look at what life during the pivotal event of the 20th Century was really like, at home and overseas, from the mundane to the thrilling. The book also contains a section on Frank H. Braunlich’s life at International House as a meteorology cadet in 1942–43 including the story of Isobar, the mascot dog who lived with the cadets at International House.

Attention alumni authors! Have you written or contributed to a book? Send us a copy for the collection of International House Alumni Books for the Library at International House. Your book will be displayed in the Library with a book plate highlighting your name, degree and year(s) you lived in the House. For information on sending your book email i-house-programs@uchicago.edu.

In Memoriam

Lisa Barlow, AM’87, died June 10 in Las Vegas, NV. She was 51. She lived at I-House from 1983–1988. After receiving her bachelor’s degree from Brigham Young University, in Provo, Utah, she went on to get her master’s degree in international relations from the University of Chicago and her doctorate of education at the University of Exeter in England. Lisa was an English professor who was also fluent in both French and Arabic, and she taught in many different cities and countries including Kuwait and United Arab Emirates. In her free time, she enjoyed sightseeing. Lisa is survived by her mother, Wilma, of Las Vegas; brother, Bob (Carol) Barlow, of Las Vegas; niece, Jessica Potter; nephew, Andrew Barlow; and great-nieces, Brooklyn Potter and DaySie Barlow.

Marshall Barron Clinard, PhD’45, died May 30 in Santa Fe, NM. He was 98. He lived at I-House from 1934 to 1937. After working as chief criminal statistician for the U.S. Census Bureau and with the Office of Price Administration, Clinard began a teaching career that included 34 years at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Author of 11 books, including the text Sociology of Deviant Behavior, now in its 14th edition, he received an American Society of Criminology award for distinguished contributions to criminology. Clinard also served on several United States congresses. He is survived by his wife, Arlen; a daughter; a son; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Gerald R. Daly, AM’50, died July 1 in South Glastonbury, CT. He was 85. He lived at I-House in 1949. A WWII veteran, Daly worked with the U.S. State Department from 1951–1962, serving in Washington, Hong Kong, Japan, and Brazil. Later transitioning into public relations, he launched Daly PR in 1982. Daly raced his Ensign slop for many years, receiving the 2008 Sea III Award for his service to the Ensign Class Association. He is survived by his wife, Judy; two sons; a sister; and four grandchildren.

Barend A. deVries, X’46, died May 23 in Bethesda, MD. He was 84. He lived at I-House from 1946 to 1948. After six years as an economist at the International Monetary Fund, deVries joined the World Bank for Latin America and the Caribbean. He later became its chief economist and then held the same position for the World Bank in West and Central Africa. He retired in the late 1980s as director of creditworthiness. He also taught at Johns Hopkins and George Washington University. Survivors include a daughter, a son, two brothers, and two granddaughters.

Hannah Diggs Atkins, BLS’49, died June 17 in Maryland. She was 86. She lived at I-House from 1947 to 1949. The first black woman elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives, Atkins was a librarian before entering politics as House representative for District 97, a position she held for 12 years. As chair of the public-and-mental-health committee, she helped reorganize the state’s mental-health system and was appointed by President Carter to the 35th Session of the United Nations General Assembly in 1980. She then returned to state government, serving as assistant director of human services and as secretary of state, retiring in 1991 as the highest-ranking female executive in the Oklahoma state government. Atkins, who also taught political science at local universities, was inducted into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame in 1983 and had a chair endowed in her honor at Oklahoma State University in 1992. Survivors include a daughter, two sons, a brother, two sisters, two grandsons, and a great-granddaughter.

Mary Jo Emerson, AB’37, died March 28. She was 95. She lived at I-House from 1935 to 1936. An advocate for children with developmental disabilities, she was the first woman elected to Ohio’s Butler County Board of Education and also served as state education chair for the Ohio Council for Retarded Children. Emerson, a school librarian, volunteered for Miami University of Ohio, serving as president of the women’s club and the library society. She is survived by two daughters, including Sydney Daly, AB’65, MAT’68; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Anthony Hopwood, MB’67, PhD’71, died May 8 in England. He was 65. He lived at I-House in 1965. A pioneer of behavioral accounting, which stresses psychological factors in decision making, Hopwood taught at the London School of Economics and at Oxford’s Said Business School, where he was dean from 1999 to 2006. Founder and editor-in-chief of Accounting, Organisations, and Society, he pushed researchers to consider companies’ social contexts. Author of eight books, he launched the European Accounting Association and was president of the European Institute of Advanced Studies in Management. A recipient of the British Accounting Association’s 1998 Distinguished Academic Award and two lifetime achievement awards from the American Accounting Association, he chaired the Prince’s Foundation for the Built Environment after he left Said in 2006. He is survived by his wife, Cary; two sons; and five grandchildren.

Deborah Jones died August 7 in Chicago. She served as an Administrative Service Clerk at International House from 1996 to 2010. In recognition of her long and dedicated service to the International House community, a tree will be planted in front of International House in her memory. A dedication reception is planned for the spring of 2011. She is survived by three daughters.

Ladis Kristof, AM’56, PhD’69, died June 15 in Yamhill, OR. He was 91. He lived at I-House from 1955 to 1956. A concentration-camp survivor, Kristof arrived in the United States in the early 1950s. He taught Eastern European politics at Temple and Stanford Universities before joining Portland State University in 1956. A concentration-camp survivor, Kristof arrived in the United States in the early 1950s. He taught Eastern European politics at Temple and Stanford Universities before joining Portland State University in 1956. He is survived by his wife, Trudy; a daughter; two sons; a sister; and four grandchildren.

Robert Lemer, AM’82, PhD’84, died May 4 in Chicago. He was 45. He lived at I-House from 1977 to 1981. Lemer taught sociology at Syracuse University and Smith College and also ran a statistical-consulting practice. He later became assistant staff director of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and headed the organization’s Office of Civil Rights Evaluation. He is survived by his wife, Althea K. Nagai, AM’78, PhD’83; and his son, Joshua Lemer, 12.

Shyam Mehra, MBA’65, died February 20 in Jaipur, India. He was 71. He lived at I-House in 1961. Mehra was a market researcher for the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade and Coca-Cola before joining his family’s 157-year-old jewelry-export business. He is survived by his wife, Neena; a daughter; a son; and two grandchildren.
Spotlight on 2010–2011 Endowed Residential Fellowship Recipients

Min-Sun and Anita B. Chen Residential Fellowship—This fund is used by International House of Chicago to provide a residential fellowship for a doctoral candidate in history or sociology.

The 2010–2011 Anita and Min-sun Chen Endowed Fellowship was awarded to Daniele Macuglia, a PhD student in history and philosophy of science at the University of Chicago. A native of Tolmezzo, Italy, Daniele considers his life at International House to be an extremely inspiring and stimulating experience. Whether gathering friends to practice Italian language skills over dinner, or representing Italy at various cultural celebrations, Daniele enjoys sharing many aspects of his country’s cultural richness through food, music and language. Daniele has been living at International House since 2009 while completing his MA degree in Social Sciences.

Gioh Fang and T.S. Ma Fellowship—This fund provides a residential fellowship at International House for an academically qualified student at the University of Chicago. Special consideration is given to students from China.

The 2010–2011 Gioh Fang and T.S. Ma Fellowship was awarded to Kejia Jin. Kejia, a native of China, is a third-year student in the College with her major course of study in economics. She plans a career in the financial services industry. Kejia has been actively involved in a variety of extra-curricular activities from serving as a teaching assistant in the Department of Mathematics and participating in the Chicago Careers in Business Program to engagement in the Blue Chips Investment and Women in Business clubs.

George H. Watkins Residential Fellowship—This fund provides residential fellowships at International House for academically qualified Mexican graduate students or students from Spanish-speaking countries attending the University of Chicago. During the 2010–2011 academic year, two Watkins Residential Fellowships were awarded.

Elizabeth Mata Lorenzo is a second-year student in the Master’s in Public Policy Program at the Harris School of Public Policy Studies at the University of Chicago. This is the second year Elizabeth has been awarded the Watkins Residential Fellowship. Elizabeth attended Colegio Santiago de Leon de Caracas and the Universidad Central de Venezuela where she received a BA in Economics. Since arriving at International House, Elizabeth has been an active member of the community participating in Residents’ Council activities, making presentations on Venezuela through the I-Focus series, attending Global Voices Programs, and organizing cooking groups and other informal programs with her fellow residents. Elizabeth states “the most interesting thing about I-House and its events is that all the things you do here, you share them with unique and extraordinary people.” After she completes her studies, Elizabeth plans to pursue a career with an international organization or in a firm which specializes in assessing economic development issues.

Andre Luis D.T.F. Pulcherio is a first-year PhD student in economics at the University of Chicago. A native of Brazil, Andre is familiar with the mission of International House having been a resident of International House in Berkeley as an exchange student at the University of California. In Berkeley, Andre was involved with the Residents’ Council serving as an important liaison between the residents and administration while working to plan events and projects representing the interests of his fellow residents. In the future, Andre plans to combine an academic career with work for a non-governmental organization.

The International House Global Fellowship Initiative

The International House Global Fellowship Initiative ensures the exceptional geographical, cultural, and economic diversity that is central to the mission of International House and the University of Chicago. Residential Fellows reside at International House throughout the academic year and are expected to contribute their unique perspectives and interests to the community. In turn, International House provides a supportive on-campus environment that helps ensure their personal fulfillment and academic success.

The 2010–2011 International House Residential Fellowship Program provides support to fifteen graduate students this year. In addition, International House welcomed seventeen outstanding advanced undergraduate students from the College of the University of Chicago to live at the House. In all, these thirty-two Collegiate and Graduate Fellows represent sixteen countries. Fourteen fellows are male and eighteen fellows are female. Within the University of Chicago, the Residential Fellows represent the undergraduate College as well as the Social Sciences Division; and four Graduate Schools—the Booth School of Business, the Divinity School, the Irving B. Harris School of Public Policy, and the School of Social Service Administration.

In addition to the Residential Fellowship Program, International House is pleased to announce the award of two Jeff Metcalf-Global Voices Fellowships for undergraduate students in the College residing at International House. The 2010–2011 Jeff Metcalf-Global Voices Fellowships were awarded to Jonathan Grabinsky, a second-year student in the College studying public policy and political science and Hesed Dianne Soria Campanano, a fourth-year in the College studying biology with a specialization in endocrinology. This newly-established program will make it possible for the College to provide undergraduates with the types of highly competitive and prestigious internships and enrichment opportunities they must have as a stepping stone to future employment. By enabling the University to offer paid opportunities to undergraduates, International House—and our generous supporters—make it possible for students from all economic backgrounds to pursue internships that relate to their academic interests and professional aspirations without sacrificing their need to earn money during the academic year.

The International House Global Fellowship Initiative provides crucial funding for students to assist them in meeting living expenses at International House. For information on how to support the Global Fellowship Initiative, contact International House at (773) 753-2281 or email i-house-programs@uchicago.edu.
The International House Global Voices Program has established a vibrant exchange with a wide range of Chicago-area academic and cultural institutions, arts organizations, dance companies, ethnic and folk arts groups, and music and theater groups. The Global Voices Lecture Series presents prominent speakers and organizes round-table discussion groups and special interest conferences and seminars. The Global Voices Performing Arts Series provides a showcase for all performing arts programs. For further information on programs or to subscribe to our weekly e-bulletin, visit our Web site at http://ihouse.uchicago.edu. Programs are supported in part by the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency.
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