



# Reunion Special

August 2003 Newsletter

"What's that?" you say. "The Band couldn't possibly have its act together enough to actually have a reunion this fall!" Well you're wrong, suckah, and if you're not careful, you might just have a kick-ass time at reunion. To start with, let's put the date in big letters so that no one will miss it:

## October 17<sup>1</sup> & 18

Reunion this year will feature whatever your favorite thing about band was. And remember that thing about band that you hated? Well, we don't do that anymore. For those of you who actually want to know what's going on, it's very similar in format to the '98 Reunion: field rehearsal on Friday afternoon, banquet on Friday night, B&D (and coffee) Saturday before the game, seats for you with the Band during the game, big old field show, and then a post-game barbecue.

The one major difference this year happens to be totally awesome. Because this year brings the rare cosmic collision of a reunion year and an album year, we're going to record some songs with the alumni band! **That's right: you get to play on an album.** Stuff you know, of course (of used to...), and just imagine how awesome a 400-person band will sound emanating from your stereo. What better way to get evicted?

Other features of this reunion:

- Come meet our new director, Giancarlo "V(alent)ino" Aquilanti.
- Barnes. 'Nuff said.
- Alcohol probation: a distant memory.
- See the new TempShak, and reminisce about how your Shak was better.
- Learn more about the upcoming new actual Shak, and how its awesomeness will be used to end all wars and also hunger.



## Make Sure You Mail Back The Reply Form!

<sup>1</sup> We promise: no earthquakes. Yes, we have that kind of power.

# Reunion Klüe

Friday, October 17

- 2:00-3:00**            **Registration.** Come to Shak (383 Arguello at Serra Street, but 69 Galvez in our hearts) and marvel at its six-wide splendor. Get a name tag and a T-shirt, and get pointed in the general direction of field rehearsal.
- 3:00-5:30**            **Field Rehearsal.** Remember field shows? Well, the Band doesn't always remember them, either, but Field Rehearsal is still helpful/fun, so if you want to do the show on Saturday, please plan to be at field rehearsal. You'd hate to get the Most Wedged Alum award, now, wouldn't you? On the way back to the Shak, we'll take a quick look at DeGuerre in its current, tragic pre-Shak form.
- 7:00-whenever**        **Banquet.** Catered and everything, it's going to be at the mausoleum again (dance on their graves!) Cash bar with drinks, of course, a patented Robbie Beyers slideshow, music, and general merriment and hey-didn't-we-hook-up-in-Tenr-loft fun to be had by all.

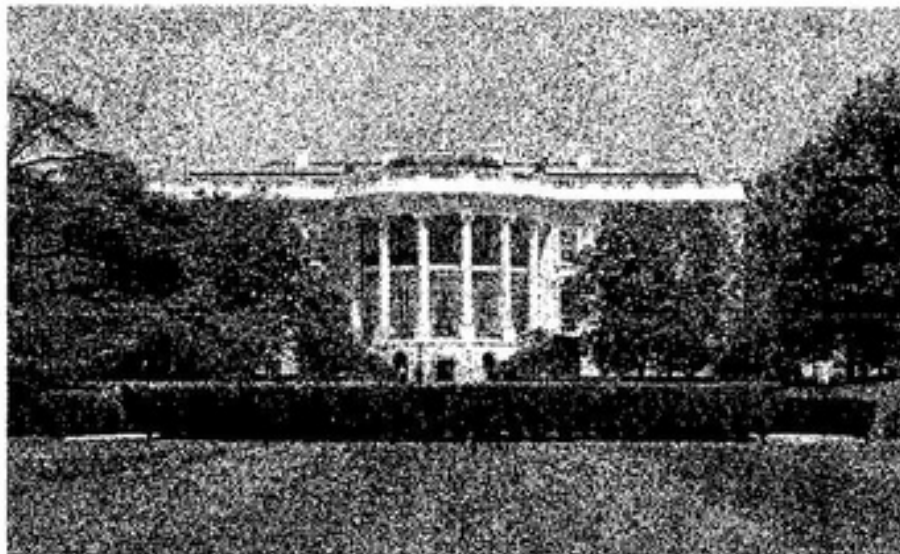
Saturday, October 18

- 7:30-10:30**            **Field Rehearsal, again.** Preceded as always (except for this last year...) by B&D (and coffee and orange juice), Saturday morning field rehearsal is as magical as you blearily remember. Seriously, you need to be at this one.
- 10:30-12:30**            **You record an album.** Yes, that's right, we're amassing the power and awe of the hundreds-strong alumni Band to dominate a recording session like never before.
- 2:00-it's over**            **A Football Game.** Oh yeah, a football game...that's why we do this... Yes, it's Stanford vs. Washington State, and in grand Stanford tradition, you can be certain of one thing: one team will win. The alum band will be next to the student band on the sunny side, and we'll do the field show together
- After that**            **Post Game Tailgate.** Barbeque and beer, memories and smiles, more old songs, laughter and forgetting, all or none of the above. Then you go home, happier than a clam in sauce.

# DeWhere? Or: Our New Shak!

By Scott DeBarger '85

You won't believe your eyes (or ears) when you set foot inside this amazing property. Almost 11,000 square feet located at the heart of Stanford's DAPER district is found in one compact estate. The historic DeGuerre site comes complete with spectacular water views unequalled on the Stanford campus.



With solid concrete construction throughout, you'll never have to worry about termites ... or the occasional runaway EMBOmobile.

Without a doubt, the centerpiece of this stellar property is the Main Rehearsal Hall. The 3,700 square-foot room is roughly 88 feet by 42 feet with a 20 foot ceiling. Six terraces create an amphitheater-shaped space ideally suited to rehearse a marching band of 150 to 200 members. Prepared using the latest acoustic technologies, this space will allow performers to experience the full sonic image of the group.

With no bedrooms but two bathrooms, this building will appeal to only the most discerning investor. The refined eye will appreciate the fully mirrored dance studio, copious storage space, and large flat wall surfaces crying out for roadside Americana. Use the multiple bonus rooms as an office, filing area, or practice rooms. There's even a space in which to lock up the Director of Bands until his next meeting with the Dean of Students.

Although the property has been used for court sports and a climbing wall up to now, new zoning has opened up an unparalleled music-rehearsal and sundry-fun-times opportunity. Preliminary plans are in place, but there is still the option for the investors to customize this property better to reflect their unique vision.

Walk to nearby football and basketball stadia or just relax at the grill out front. You won't find a better bargain anywhere on campus.

Offered at \$1.9 million. Available December 2004.

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## Other things to know, maybe

### You can't *all* crash at the Shak

Hyatt Rickeys	Palo Alto	650-493-8000
Quality Inn	Palo Alto	650-493-3141
Sheraton	Palo Alto	650-328-2800
Sky Ranch Inn	Palo Alto	650-493-7221
Stanford Terrace	Palo Alto	650-857-0333
The Westin	Palo Alto	650-321-4422
Travelodge	Palo Alto	650-493-6340

These aren't recommendations or anything, just some info. Try [hotels.com](http://hotels.com) or [yp.yahoo.com](http://yp.yahoo.com). And book quick, because this is a reunion weekend for all the '3s and '8s.

### Blowing things

We'll have some extra t&obz and drumz, but otherwise, don't count on us for instruments. Beg, borrow or steal (if you get caught, remember, you're the US& debate team), or try renting one for the weekend—it's not too expensive. If you're really stuck, talk to your section leader about reserving one for the weekend, while supplies last.

### Knowing things

We'll be posting relevant music on the web for those of you who for some unfathomable reason didn't save your folders. We'll let you know about it when we do. If you're not subscribed to the Old Fart Announce list (which is different from Fartline) email [scott\\_stanford@stanfordalumni.org](mailto:scott_stanford@stanfordalumni.org) and he'll make everything better. If you're not subscribed to Fartline, email [knarver@stanford.edu](mailto:knarver@stanford.edu), and she'll make everything worse. If you want to be on Smutline, which as you may know, gets a lot of day-to-day traffic and random posts, email [saifrc@ccrma.stanford.edu](mailto:saifrc@ccrma.stanford.edu) and he'll make everything horrible.

\*\*\*\*\* Alum Board Members Needed \*\*\*\*\*  
6 keyed band alumni for truly incomparable, challenging, rewarding second career supporting student-run organization at highly selective western university.  
Requires high tolerance for bureaucratic fumbling, fiscal waste, endless WIWIB stories.  
Preference given to class years 1963 and earlier, 1972-1980, 1997-2000 and currently underrepresented minorities (clarpicz, ABF drumz)  
Successful applicants will join 14 similar masochists for monthly meetings on campus and interminable emails. Benefits include salary that is a multiple of pay formerly received as a student, opportunity to hear of latest outrageous Band shenanigans and no discernable increase in status or personal résumé.

Submit band history, favorite historic/outrageous highlights, criminal history and bribes to [lsjumb-alumboard@lists.stanford.edu](mailto:lsjumb-alumboard@lists.stanford.edu)

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