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NU CHAPTER IS ON SOCIAL PROBATION

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As the Chapter Co-Advisors of TKE-Nu and two diehard Cal football fans (Go Bears!), both of us were looking forward to the re-opening of the new Memorial Stadium as much as anyone! It is incredibly rewarding to walk up Channing Way and see a huge party on the front deck of TKE – the current undergraduate chapter, alumni, families, and sorority girls all celebrating Game Day and our shared love of U.C. Berkeley. Alas, due to our current Administrative Disposition with the university, this Fall was far from what we had hoped for and planned.

Together, as Advisors, we have been involved with supporting the chapter since 2002. For the most part we have “been along for the ride” and have enjoyed being there for the active chapter when they needed us. This semester has brought challenges that we had not seen prior to this Spring. In the current culture of a draconian “crackdown” on the Greek System by the University, Nu Chapter

now faces the greatest challenge that we have witnessed since re-charting in 2003.

As part of the new candidate process, every pledge class is required to host an event that allows them to more closely bond with the active chapter. This past Spring, the Upsilon pledge class hosted a “Faderade Dodgeball” brotherhood event on campus, which was preceded by drinking Gatorade mixed with Vodka. One of the actives, a 21-year-old, consumed too much and was taken to the hospital with alcohol poisoning. With a dangerously high blood alcohol content, it was very serious; fortunately, he is okay.

The University became aware of the event and the resulting hospitalization. As a result of their inquiry, the University determined that TKE-Nu was in violation of a number of University statutes. Furthermore, the University felt that the entirety of the event last April was so egregious that part of the punishment dished out to the chapter was *(Continued on page 3)*

THE CHAPTER RESPONDS MESSAGE FROM THE PRYTANIS

Michael Tuffli - #1108

The goals of the Chapter this semester are to continue our academic and philanthropic success and restore the reputation of the Chapter that was damaged by an alcohol related incident in April of this year. Despite raising over \$14,000 last semester with two Nu Chapter sponsored philanthropy events and again having a top 10 GPA, our image as a chapter was worsened by a brotherhood dodge ball event planned by our new member pledge class last spring where brothers consumed alcohol and one had to go to the hospital for alcohol poisoning. Though the overconsumption was the result of a handful of members' actions, our chapter took full responsibility for the unsafe event and has been placed on social probation as a result.

Our Chapter has taken a number of steps to avoid a future issue like this with a renewed effort in member education via our Blueprint Program (a program where members develop specific

goals and record the steps to reach them) as well as put on alcohol/safety training. We also are providing better guidance on how to throw brotherhood events for our pledge class. All these actions, as well as the internal accountability measures and sanctions, were summarized in an action plan and submitted to the University. This 19-page plan, which was only required to be five pages in length, has put us in a very positive light with the University. In meetings with the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and the Center for Student Conduct CSC, I have been told multiple times that our reaction is incredibly mature and one that they wish more houses could internally execute as we have, without having to be forced to do so.

In addition, the men of the House have all signed a pledge to adhere to the guidelines of our probation without any hesitation.

Obviously having one of the strongest alumni support systems at Cal and very present Alumni Advisors has helped us tremendously, but I would also attribute this success to the quality of the men in the House. We have a strong record of involvement in IFC, student government, and other

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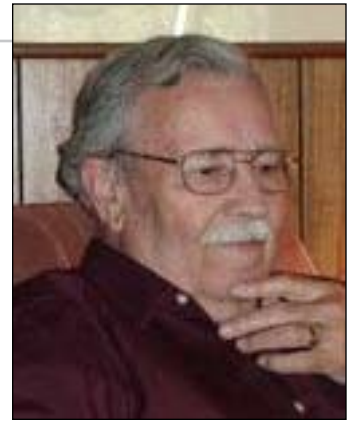
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I'M JUST SAYIN'

TOUGH LOVE

I don't really mean to sound condescending here, but I'm afraid this is going to come out that way. Sometimes, as alumni, I guess we tend to sound paternal in addressing issues of the undergraduate chapter. It is probably humiliating that we should do so. But we can't roll over and play dead about what's going on Channing Way today. This is a problem which affects all of us, and when something to which many of us have devoted our lives is in danger of being taken from us, we get upset. With so much at stake, it is easy to make a Chicken Little tale of this.



We are not just Fraters. To use that term in the midst of our turmoil today is to oversimplify our role. We are a family—one which is based on the principles of love, charity and esteem, as all families should be. We love our families and those who comprise it. We love our undergraduate chapter and its people, as well. And it seems appropriate right now to focus on that love.

But it is not a codependent or enabling love that is needed here today. I'm talking about *tough love* here. The term was coined in 1968 by author Bill Milliken and has been used ever since. Actual love or a feeling of affection behind harsh or stern treatment is defined as tough love. One has to differentiate between a shoplifting incident and a child who burns down the house. Concerned parents who refuse to support a drug-addicted son financially until he enters drug rehabilitation, a coach who benches a popular but non-compliant player for the season, or a son or daughter who deny the car keys to an aging parent who should no longer drive—these are all examples of tough love. It is the difference between “*Aw, it's okay; we know you didn't mean to*” and “*We love you very much, but we're not standing still for this, so we're imposing strict consequences.*”

Undergraduates may wonder why occasional Greeks have lost University recognition but still continue to rush, party and apparently prosper. “What's the deal?” you ask. “They got in trouble and they're still here. The “deal” is that not all national fraternity offices sever ties with non-compliant chapters. Not so with Tau Kappa Epsilon. Teke International doesn't fool around. If you lose University recognition, you don't have a chapter anymore. And that, I maintain, is a form of tough love—really tough love.

So, the House Corporation Board, with the support of the Board of Advisors and the Chapter Advisors, has stated unconditionally, that failure to comply with the terms of probation, or the terms of the Pledge, means “you're out”—and not just for the season, either. That's tough love, too.

But this does not need to be a Chicken Little tale. The undergraduates' response to this challenge—the way in which they have pulled together to deal with the biggest cause they have ever had to meet—already augurs positive feelings that with a mature and thoughtful leadership corps, actives and pledges who have responded responsibly to a common cause, and the guidance of two incredibly dedicated Chapter Advisors, the sky will not be falling.

Robin Harris '56

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to spend one year on social probation. This precludes the chapter from the ability to organize, host, or sponsor any social event or to have any brotherhood event that includes alcohol. If the undergraduate chapter completely adheres to the conditions put forward by the university, our social probation will expire in May 2013. However, any infraction by the chapter will result in prolonging the social probation. Furthermore, any further transgressions that result in an injury caused by alcohol consumption will result in TKE-Nu's loss of university recognition.

Needless to say this type of austere punishment and set of behavioral standards was difficult for the Chapter to swallow. Quite frankly, as Chapter Co-Advisors, it was difficult for us to get the 80 members of the Chapter to really understand the severity of their situation. However, after numerous meetings, discussions, emails, and personal communications, as Advisors, both of us can finally say that the Chapter does "get it". The men submitted an Action Plan to the University that clearly outlined its response to the probation. Though the university suggested a five-page response, Prytanis Michael Tuffli submitted a 19-page course of action detailing the contrition felt by the undergraduates and the means by which all stakeholders in TKE-Nu will uphold the conditions set forth by the University. This included a "pledge" to be signed by every member of the chapter

acknowledging having read the Administrative Disposition and promising to abide by its content.

Seven weeks into this most difficult semester as Chapter Co-Advisors, both of us can confidently say that the chapter has grown together as a result of this. While this semester is much more subdued socially, we are both thoroughly impressed with the creativity in planning brotherhood events, the total compliance to the administrative directive, and the Chapter's sincere desire to protect Nu Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon not only for themselves and the alumni, but for generations to come. We both hope that their scholarship and philanthropic efforts will follow the same mature, responsible trajectory!

Fraters, while there won't be as many alumni events at 2725 Channing Way this academic year, please know that the House needs to feel your support now more than ever! If you would like to provide professional mentorships, financial support for scholarships, or any other service to the chapter, please feel free to contact either of us. In the meantime, watch your email for announcements related to TKE-Nu Thanksgiving, the Christmas Luncheon, Founders' Day Dinner, a Spring Picnic in Berkeley (Tilden Park in late April), and a Texas Hold'em Tournament for Nu TKE scholarships.

Thank you for your continued support of TKE-Nu, a brotherhood that both of us love very much!

THE PLEDGE

I _____ without reservation, confirm each of the following statements as absolutely true:

I have read the Administrative Disposition dated June 6, 2012.

I understand each condition of social probation therein.

I agree to comply with each condition therein, including those concerning guests and alcohol.

I agree to assist the TKE leadership in enforcing these conditions.

I have read and agree with the Chapter Action Plan, dated October 1, 2012.

I pledge to conform my conduct at all times to the TKE ideals of fostering personal worth and character.

I agree that if I should be found in willful violation of any of the above provisions,

I am subject to removal from the fraternity including all rights and privileges thereto

Signed: _____ Printed Name: _____

Witness: _____ Witness: _____

Chapter Advisor

TKE Officer

The pledge was signed without hesitation by 100% of the undergraduate chapter.

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICERS

(Continued from page 1) on-campus organizations that make TKE very well known in the offices of UC Berkeley administration. In addition, our Chapter has exceeded the expectations of what is considered normal response to an incident. I already have had a couple of follow-up meetings with IFC and Student Conduct and they are very supportive and trusting of TKE because of the seriousness of our response and our history as a strong organization.

Although alumni events and any others with guests were originally banned as part of our social probation, the trust of the offices handling our case has allowed us to get alumni events approved. So we are proud to be inviting all alumni to a Thanksgiving dinner as well as work on several other ideas that we will mail out to all alumni. We will be doing a similar dinner for parents and another for members of the community and faculty to sustain strong relations.

Additionally, we are using this disciplinary probation period as a time to renew our focus on brother development and the strengthening of our bond as members of Nu Chapter. One part of that is using the Blueprint Program to develop into better men by encouraging us to take on leadership and become more well-rounded students. Moreover, we are also using the probationary period this semester and next to have a stronger commitment to brotherhood events, philanthropy and academics. Already this semester we have done fire trail hikes, movie nights, trips to Muir Woods, a kayaking trip on the Russian River, video game tournaments, sports days, and had many successful intramural sports teams in serious contention for championships which take place at the end of the semester.

FROM THE EPIPRYTANIS

Jacob Zipperstein, #1126

Jacob is a fourth year Integrative Biology major from Marin County, California. He hopes to utilize his organizational skills to produce an effective event calendar, while also being a resource and mentor to the different chair positions. He is always looking to incorporate new chair positions to allow fellow frater's to express their innovative ideas, and this semester he has successfully created a Landscaping Chair. As this is his last semester as an officer, Jacob is excited to have the opportunity to train a younger brother who is intrigued by the idea of being Epiprytanis.

FROM THE HISTOR

Andrew Treviño, #1086

Hi! I'm Andrew "Tre" Treviño and I serve as Histor on the officer corps this year, also a rush chair. I'm a fifth year Political Science major from Placentia, CA. I'm excited not only about reconnecting the chapter with alumni, but also for recruiting and educating new members within the fraternity. A member of the Nu class, I plan on using my experience and leadership skills to

In addition, we are talking to sororities about having a signature philanthropy event for this fall to supplement what will likely be two again in the spring. We also will be participating in a Greek-wide Trick-or-Treat program for local schools, Berkeley Project, Breast Cancer Awareness Month events, Berkeley Aquatic Park cleanups, local path construction in the Berkeley Hills, and many more still in the planning process.

Our commitment to academics has consistently kept us in the top 10 of chapters on campus. This semester we are reemphasizing the use of our test bank, an online database of old tests accumulated by the previous generations of Nu Chapter. This, as well as encouraging study groups and organizing study room reservations in the library will help us keep up our house GPA above the University average.

Despite our situation, the chapter is in a very good position to succeed. We have taken the whole incident as an opportunity to prove to the community and University once again that we are the top Chapter on campus. We see any extra attention we get because of last spring's upset as a good thing because it is a bigger spotlight for our chapter. This confidence has kept the house morale high and although this is my last semester in a position of leadership, I can say the house will continue its upward trend despite the setback in April. The brothers of this house care too much about the well-being of each other to let any dangerous incidents occur in the future, and appreciate what Nu Chapter has done for us and previous generations too much to threaten its success.

improve the already impressive officer corps. I currently play for the Cal Club Baseball team, and I've captained our house to back-to-back "Frats at Bat" championships, Chi Omega's campus wide softball tournament. I plan on attending law school before one day working in politics.

FROM THE HEGEMON

Alex Morris, #1124

My name is Alex Morris. I am a fourth year Biochemistry, Biophysics, and Structural Biology major hailing all the way from Alamo, California. In my spare time I enjoy weightlifting, ultimate frisbee, and coin collecting. My three years as a part of TKE Nu have taught me that strong bonds between our new pledge classes and brothers, in addition to respect for our alumni, are necessities for the continued well-being of our chapter. As a second semester Hegemon my objective is to incorporate the lessons I learned during my first semester and my new goals for the Fall pledge class to synthesize an educational pledge semester and develop professional young men. Further, the new pledge class will care for the physical condition of the house so that it will be looked after

properly in future years. Finally, and most important, the new pledge class will know and understand the essential elements of Love, Charity, and Esteem so that our chapter's bond will remain as strong and healthy as it is today.

FROM THE CRY SOPHYLOS

Jon Myers, #1144

I'm Jon Myers, the new Crysophylos for the Fall semester of 2012. I am a third year Business major from San Diego and

pledged in the fall semester of my freshman year as part of the Rho class. I have been the Athletics chair and the Big Game and UCLA football game chair, as well as a member of the Budget Committee as the Revenues Manager. I feel that these previous positions have naturally prepared me for my current position as Crysophylos and I look forward to handling a balanced and responsible budget. When I am not busy with my school work or contributing to TKE, I enjoy playing sports and am currently on our intramural volleyball team.

MEET OUR PLEDGES – THE PHI CLASS

Fall 2012

Benjamin Rushakoff

My name is Benjamin Rushakoff, but I go by Ben. I am a freshman from San Francisco, and I intend to major in either Environmental Economics and Policy or Conservation and Resource Studies. I come from a long line of Cal alumni, and I am excited to continue my family's presence on campus. Through this pledge process I hope to gain best friends, time management skills, maturity, and fun and lasting memories. Of my various pastimes, I especially enjoy following music blogs and up and coming artists, crafting mixtapes, and sharing them with friends.

Weston Butera

Hello, my name is Weston Butera. I am an 18 year old first year from Newport Beach, CA. Though I am not entirely sure what I want to do yet, I am undecided; however, I am interested in majoring in Architecture. What I hope that I find by pledging this semester is great group of guys (brothers and other pledges) who will stick with me through thick and thin. Lastly, besides schoolwork and TKE, I play guitar, sing, and do art.

Ethan (Sung Il) Jung

My name is Ethan (Sung Il) Jung, and I'm an international student from Seoul, South Korea. I've lived in China for six years when I was little, but this is the first time living in the states. This is my freshman year at Berkeley, my major is currently undecided and my intended major is Business. I wish to experience as much as I can in Berkeley, including different cultures, events, etc., and through the pledge process I want to get to know everyone in the chapter well and make some lasting friendships that I can count on. I love playing sports and socializing, so it would be more than welcome if you invite me to one of those events.

Mike Caviglia

I'm Mike Caviglia and I'm a junior transfer from Fresno. I am majoring in Political Science and looking to go into law, finance, or education. Through the pledge process, I hope to a better man, friend and leader. An interesting fact is that the most played song in my iTunes is The Adventure by Angels & Airwaves with 109 plays.

Quinn Romanek

Quinn is a Freshman Electrical Engineering and Computer Science major from Arlington, Virginia. In his spare time he likes to play Ultimate or Mario Kart and explore Berkeley's many eateries. From the pledge process he hopes to build a bond of brotherhood with his pledge class and the house as a whole, and to grow as an individual by being more organized. A little known fact about Quinn is that he took Chinese for three years in high school.

Samuel Heinz

My name is Samuel Heinz and I am a second year Political Science major. I am from Joshua Tree in southern California. Through the pledge process I hope to gain a great sense of brotherhood between my fellow pledge brothers and the brothers of the house. I also hope to hone my social and time management skills through the rigor of the process. One interesting fact about me is that I can play the organ and the banjo.

Alex Carter

Alex Carter is an undeclared freshman from Palo Alto, California. He enjoys coaching his home debate team, juggling, doodling, pursuing knowledge, and watching movies. He is pledging TKE because he finds the brothers here to be genuinely good people, and he hopes to grow and learn from the diversity of experience that the brothers have. He believes that The Big Lebowski is the greatest movie of all time, and is deeply moved by The Dude's message of abidance.

Ryan Au

I'm Ryan Au from Hong Kong and I've been studying in the United States for the past three years. I'm currently a freshman at Berkeley and my major is Pre-Haas. For the past couple years, I've been involved in running and doing triathlons, and I'm also a big fan of adventure sports and outdoor activities. I hope the pledging process will help me grow more mature and independent as a person, and I also hope that I'll bond well with my pledge class.

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Ryan Odening

My name is Ryan Odening, and I am a 2nd year at UC Berkeley. I was born and raised in Santa Monica where it was very easy to find people with common interests and values. At a public university, such as Berkeley, it can be harder to find a group with these similarities. I decided to pledge Tau Kappa Epsilon because I enjoyed the company of those I met almost immediately. It was not hard to tell that they had similar values to mine. Although, I am an intended Math and Music major (not the most popular majors in the school or fraternity) and not sure exactly what I will major in, I enjoy being

in a group with diverse career interests. While our long term interests differ, many of our preferences for daily activities are very alike. I love to sing, travel, and play sports; Tau Kappa Epsilon is well-known for its well-rehearsed serenading process, talented intramural teams, and off-campus bonding events. Clearly, it was the right choice for me. By pledging Tau Kappa Epsilon, I plan on becoming more comfortable in social situations and attaining a better understanding of what it's like for a team/group to be held responsible for individual actions, which I see as being a helpful tool for the real world.

NU CHAPTER TEKES WITH A MISSION

Showcasing men who make a difference - A new feature of Nu News



TOM MORGAN '50

A tireless worker—on the front line and behind the scenes

IF ANY JOB REQUIRED TIME, PLANNING AND EFFORT, Tom Morgan was always there to carry it out, and if he had not been sidelined with a hip injury almost a year ago, he would be doing it yet.

Born in Oakland, May 30, 1925, Tom spent all his early life in the East Bay. He attended Crocker Highlands Elementary School, Westlake Junior High and University High School, where, prior to graduation he enlisted in the U.S. Army ASTP program. Called to active duty December 1, 1943, he was sent first to the Presidio of Monterey and then to Ft. Benning, Georgia for basic training. After three weeks, the flu put him in the base hospital, after which he had to start basic training all over again.

Following basic training he was assigned to the 100th Infantry Division at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina until the unit was sent to Marseille, France, from which they were trucked 350 miles north to relieve the 45th Infantry. Here they fought through the Vosges Mountains for two months, finally reaching the Alsace-Lorraine and a fortress called Bitche, a town never taken for 200 years.

“At this juncture,” he says, “the Germans counter-attacked, and five or six of us were captured and transported to Ludwigsburg. I spent four months at this Stalag 5A before we were liberated. During my time there, the Germans decided I had tuberculosis, and I was hospitalized. Subsequently, upon liberation, it was decided I didn't have TB after all, but atypical pneumonia, a diagnosis not confirmed until I was sent to

Fitzsimmons Hospital near Denver.

“While my service life appears dull at times,” Tom says, “there were a couple of times when it was exciting. The first (time) was when I had my rifle blown out of my hands when a German bullet entered the trigger guard and cleaned out the working parts of the rifle, incidentally wounding me in the hand in the process. The second exciting event occurred in Alsace-Lorraine where we had occupied abandoned German foxholes. The Germans had built up the sides above ground with small river rocks, and while I was sitting in the opening one morning, a mortar exploded nearby and sprayed the foxhole with fragments, none of which hit me, but the noise deafened me for some time.

“I would be remiss if I didn't mention the friend who saved my life.” Masa Uchimara had been captured by the Germans earlier, and was a medic with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, the most highly decorated unit in the history of the U.S. Army. The Germans used him to check all captured troops to determine whether they were fit to march from the Stalag to Munich, a distance of some 150 kilometers. “I had a bad case of pleurisy



Tom (in the middle) between his buddies Ray and Nolton. It was early 1946 in Oakland, and they had just discarded their GI uniforms.

at the time, and while I wanted to go with my buddies, Masa said, 'No, you're going to stay right here!' Had I gone on the march, I probably would have died. I kept in touch with Masa and his wife for many years until he died in 2006 in Seattle, where they lived.

"Upon my return to the Bay Area, I enrolled at Cal, and in one of my early classes I met Frank Smith, who was very enthusiastic about the fraternity he had just joined—TKE. He invited me over for lunch, where I found the members very congenial. Most were World War II vets, so we had a lot in common. When they asked me if I would like to join, I said yes, and thus began a lifelong association with Tau Kappa Epsilon, the Fraternity for Life. I am still fairly active, and until my recent retirement from the (House Corporation) Board, I served as its President. I have made a number of friendships through TKE over the years, notably Dan Costello, Robin Harris, Bill DeMartini, John Phillips, Carl Anderson, Dick Anderson, Cliff Ceridono, Wayne Martinez, Steve Schmidt, Peter Cloven, Will Deady, Chip Wray, and many others, too numerous to mention.

He speaks lovingly of the elegant old Packard Sedan he drove as an undergraduate.

Tom served as Epiprytanis and Prytanis while in the undergraduate chapter, and played 130-pound basketball for three years. "Since Cal was the only school with weight teams," he explains, "we played against club teams and high schools." After Cal, he continued his enthusiasm for basketball, playing on an Oakland city league team with other Tekes who won the Championship in 1962.

After returning to the U.S., following World War II, Tom married Carole Carpenter whom he met at Cal. They were together for 42 years until she passed away in 1994. He



Tom holds forth at a Christmas Luncheon at the Olympic Club.

remarried in 1996 to Marcyline Soule whom he had met in the insurance business a number of years earlier, and they are together today. Tom has two children, Stefanie and Evan, and remains a big fan of sports, especially following Cal sports.

Last December, Nu Chapter Alumni Association awarded Tom Morgan a lifetime membership, the first Frater to receive such an award, and a more deserving recipient could not be found.

PETER CLOVEN '86

How Does One Man Accomplish So Much?



CHAPTER ADVISORS ESSENTIALLY JOIN THE FRATERNITY TWICE, the first time as an undergraduate, the second time as a mentor. With Peter Cloven, there is a more dramatic difference:

The first time around wasn't always very much fun.

"I would describe the atmosphere there during the mid-1980s as tumultuous, due to political factioning in the House," Peter says. "At times it just wasn't fun at all." He goes on to say he realized how great it would be if love, charity and esteem were part of Teke life. He decided to become a co-Chapter Advisor to help bring it back.

He hastens to add, however, that "those times caused me to grow as a leader and as a man. It also solidified friendships that I will have the rest of my life."

Born October 18, 1964 in San Jose, Peter was the eldest son of four children. His school years, however, were spent in Laguna Niguel, where his mother still lives. He attended Dana Hills High School, class of 1982 where he played football as a fullback/linebacker, and sang in four choral groups. He was dubbed "The Singing Jock."

For his senior year, however, he went to U.C. Irvine in order to take advantage of science classes there. Then he transferred to U.C. Santa Cruz for two years, where he played rugby and sang in the U.C.S.C. Master Chamber Group—the only underclassman; the rest were graduate students.

As a junior transfer to Cal, he rushed TKE and a few other houses. "I accepted TKE's bid due to primary interactions with Greg Sutton (my big brother) and Barrett Madrigal. I was elected President of a 19-person pledge class. I remain close with several of my pledge brothers and love seeing them at football games and reunions."

As an active, Peter served as Grammateus and Hegemon. "I loved being Hegemon," he says. "It was an awesome position that really steeps you in all that is TKE. Hegemon requires you to pass on your passion for the house to new candidates. Much of my experience in TKE solidified who I am as a man," he says. "It taught me to stand true to my beliefs and core values while interacting with other strong men in the board room and at the negotiating table.

"I recall alumni leaders Tom Morgan, George Dove and Dan Costello with great fondness, while also remembering younger alums Wayne Martinez,

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Peter Cloven, Pledge President with his pledge class. Peter is in the middle of the row.

Mark Edelstone, Chris Burns and Chris White. Other than that, however, there was very little interaction with alumni while I was a TKE active. I sang in the Perfect Fifth, a co-ed, a capella chamber group, for my whole time at Cal. I also played intramural softball, football and volleyball. I graduated Cal in December of 1986 with a BA degree in Biochemistry.

“After three months backpacking through Europe, I got my first job in the environmental consulting industry in Irvine, CA in 1987. As a Project Manager completing site assessments (drilling, soil and groundwater sampling), and hazardous waste cleanup, I worked and lived in northern and southern California as well as Las Vegas from 1992 to 1997.



The Cloven family

In 2003, with his first daughter about to be born, Peter started Pinnacle Environmental, Inc., a company he had incorporated in Vegas in 1997. After nine years, the company has a proven track record, a reliable, steady clientele and is in growth mode. Peter states that he looks forward to sharing what he does with many active Tekes in the future, just as Dan Costello did for him with pharmaceutical sales when he, Peter, was a senior at Cal.

“I moved back to the Bay Area in July, 1999. I met my wife, Lisa in November. She is a Cal grad from the Haas Business School and a CPA. She is the perfect combination of beautiful and smart. We were married in November, 2000 in Santa Cruz. Yes, Tekes were in attendance!”

“I have two daughters, Rochelle 9 and Alayna 6,” says Peter. “They keep me busy as a soccer coach and swim team dad. They are both bright and beautiful, and I am blessed.”

To address Peter’s present experience with Nu Chapter, he says, “I have been Chapter Co- Advisor with Steve Schmidt since 2005. He is a fellow Teke from the tumultuous years of the mid to late 1980s, and we use our experience to help the current house avoid the ‘pitfalls’ so that history does not repeat itself. There is not another person I would rather work with than Steve. He complements my interactions with the house perfectly. He loves the Nu Chapter of TKE as much as I do. We desire every Teke, from those who have yet to pledge, to those in the house, to those who graduated many years ago, to understand what an amazing group of men we are, and be connected forever. After all, TKE is a Fraternity for Life.”

In addition to the support Peter and Lisa give their daughters in soccer and swimming, Peter teaches Sunday School, is a Master Mason, and is on the Board of Trustees at Oakland Masonic Center. We often hear people complain that they don’t have time for Alumni meetings or functions because of work or family obligations. Yet Peter, with a busy, active family, started his own business, is Chapter Co-Advisor, working extensively with the undergraduates, has stepped forward to assume the Presidency of the Nu Chapter Alumni Association, and also has taken over Dan Costello’s old job of organizing the Alumni Christmas Luncheon every year.

It just goes to prove the adage that if you want something done, ask the busiest man you know.

CHIP WRAY ’53

Eighteen Years at the Helm of the Alumni Association

“A BIG EYE-OPENER FOR ME as an undergraduate on Channing way came on the day after Thanksgiving 1949,” says Chip. It was not a Cal holiday, and some of the more diabolical professors had scheduled midterms, ostensibly to ensure that students would be in attendance. “I was a pledge; my detail was wake-up that morning, and I slept in, causing some actives to miss their class, and therefore their midterm. As a penance, I was assigned to shine everyone’s shoes. There they were, lined up all down the hallway. But the worst were Hawk Hyde’s cowboy boots, caked with crap.”

As a Navy brat, Chip undoubtedly underwent many lessons in responsibility prior to that fateful time, but the shoe shining episode, which took two days, was an indelible Cal moment.

Chip, who was raised as an Irish Catholic descended from



Cork County stock, got his nickname at home. (“A chip off the old block,” he says. “No one calls me Charles except telemarketers and the IRS.”) He was graduated from Coronado High School, and considers that his home town, but he grew up in several places before and during World War II. The son of a Naval officer who retired as a Commander, Chip remembers life in some very interesting places, including Norfolk, Virginia where he was born in 1931. “My Dad was assigned to a number of ships, including Hawaii, where I spent kindergarten and first grade, and then the Philippines in 1940.

“Those were happy days in Honolulu,” he says. He and his younger sister lived a life of surfboards and outriggers.

In 1941 his father’s health began to fail; he was suffering from kidney disease, and he was not expected to live. He purchased a family home in Coronado (because it was near the San Diego Naval Hospital) intending to die there, but not before being at Pearl Harbor at the time of the December 7th attack, having been sent there for R&R just three weeks beforehand. Because of his ill health he was one of the first to be shipped out of Pearl, on Christmas Day, 1941. Fate intervened in the form of the miraculous new sulfa drugs, however, and as a guinea pig for the testing of this new drug, he was cured. (He would live to be 93.) He spent the remainder of the war at Coronado as a training officer at the Navy Training Center—all of which explains why Coronado became Chip’s “home town.”

Chip attended junior high school in Coronado, then went to Villanova in Ojai for three years, returning to Coronado in his senior year in order to graduate with his friends in 1949. He didn’t apply to a college, as academics had not been high on his priorities. But he was dating Marcie who had been accepted at Cal. “Okay then, I would go to Cal because she was going to go. Then Marcie got a four-year scholarship to San Diego State. So here I was going to Cal and she wasn’t.”

So off Chip went to Berkeley with a Coronado classmate named Bruce. After they arrived in Berkeley and got their feet on the ground, Bruce wanted to go through rushing. “I was a fish out of water,” Chip says. He just didn’t fit into the rushing scene. But they both found Tau Kappa Epsilon and they bid Bruce. “I won’t pledge unless they ask you,” he told Chip.

“But they wanted both of us, so we became pledges. That first year was a lark. Nobody went to class except to take tests. It was all old-time Cal, and all our Big C activities and parties took time away from class.” A middle school classmate named Andrea was a Delta Gamma. “We all knew each other.”

Chip and Bruce became second semester pledges together. “It was a do or die semester. I had to make my grades.” Bruce never did become a Teke, but Chip was initiated September 24, 1950 with Jack Dirks, Richard Gause, George Loftus and Phil Merritt.

In support of Frater Bill Rockwell who had been the

inspiration for Oski, Nu Chapter needed to be well represented on Oski Committee. “There were ten of us,” Chip says. “Five or six were gymnasts; the rest did grunt work. It was an all-male activity in those days.” He earned an Oski letterman’s jacket and remembers an all-night automobile trip to Seattle for a basketball game.

A couple of years later, younger sister Pat came to Cal and pledged Alpha Gamma Delta. Meanwhile, Chip and Andrea dated and married soon after graduation in 1953. The ensuing three years were Army years, and most of that time was spent in Germany where their first two children, Ted and Mike were born. Two more children, Pete and Karen, were born after they returned to the States.



Chip and Andrea leave their wedding ceremony September 12, 1953. Tekes were groomsmen, and lots more Tekes were in attendance.

After a not-very-satisfying stint working in the credit card industry for Standard Oil, Chip decided he wanted a career in education. Returning to Cal to earn a teaching credential seemed a logical move, but this was squelched by a faculty advisor who looked at his Cal transcript of 1949 to 1953 and told him he could never be approved for admission to the credential program. “You’ll never be a teacher,” she said.

San Francisco State, however, welcomed him with open arms, and he began a program there in 1959. He did his student teaching and observation at Redwood High School in Larkspur, Marin County, where he was accepted as a teacher in 1961, teaching one social studies class and four business classes, all in different classrooms which he visited along with his pushcart.

Four days into his teaching career he was recalled to active duty for a year-and-a-half. This took him to North Carolina followed by Panama where he worked in the development of a contingency plan for Latin America. *(Continued on page 10)*

Working out of Panama as a base of operations, he went to Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru, Costa Rica, Honduras and Nicaragua.

In January, 1963 it was back to Redwood High—this time he would teach all social studies classes, and no pushcart. He and Andrea and their four children lived in Novato in a home they had purchased back in 1959. In 1965 they purchased a home in Tiburon, where they would live until 1991.



In the classroom at Redwood High

In the meantime, Chip enjoyed a busy time in Marin County. He was President of California Teachers Association where he was involved in collective bargaining, and was active in community environmental activities. He served on the Marin Water Board for nine years, where no one ran against him. He was a member of the Marin Conservation League for 15 years and served as President. He was on the Board of Directors of the California Conservation Corps.

He took two Sabbaticals. The first, in 1970, took him to England where he visited 16 schools, observing all levels of education, and to Dublin, Ireland where he observed a Protestant Experimental school. The second, in 1980, took him to Mexico where he visited Mayan ruins. In between these two journeys, during the school year 1974-75, he was an exchange teacher in England. Pete and Karen went along, too. The two oldest boys were in college by this time.

The interesting times were far from over. Chip was honored as Teacher of the Year on the high school level in Marin County—a \$5,000 award.

Throughout these years, he remained active in the Army Reserve, retiring as a Lt. Colonel in 1991—the same year he retired from teaching.

Flash back to 1971 when a friend in real estate who had a place in Sonoma told Chip and Andrea about a piece of property there that was available. It was a fixer, but the price was right. They already had 34 acres out of Glen Ellen where they had expected to build a cabin for the family to enjoy, but here was an offer they couldn't refuse. It was a long fixing process involving many weekends. Horses, in which Andrea had much interest, became part of the mix. They moved into the remodeled craftsman-style house to live full time in 1991.

Andrea got to enjoy this new life for only five years, passing away of sudden-onset cancer in December, 1996. Chip speaks

with admiration of the tremendous support from Hospice through this brief but trying time.

Through mutual friends, Chip met Anne, a beautiful and charming lady also recently widowed, whom he married in October, 1999. Because Anne and stairways are not compatible, it was decided to remodel the three-story Sonoma home further in order to provide complete living quarters downstairs. Tekes who have visited that home, the site of ten annual picnics over the years, know the impressive result.

Chip's son Mike, his second oldest, is an active Teke in his own right. Among Chip's four children he has ten grandchildren of whom he is very proud. Along with all his other accomplishments, he has had a lifetime of devotion and service to Teke. Today he relaxes in his "man cave" recently carved out of his barn, where he can reminisce and plan what project to take on next.



Washington DC 1980. With Hank Lush (TKE Gettysburg), Hank's son, and Al Simpson (ATO Wyoming). Hank was the tallest man in the Senate at 6'7". Oh yes, the bearded gentleman on the right is Chip Wray. Chip, Hank and Al served together in the 2nd Armored Division in Germany in 1955.

Not only has he been an active and enthusiastic leader on many levels wherever he found himself, but this man who was told he would "never be a teacher," enjoyed a distinguished thirty-year career in education.

Many thanks to Frater Dan Costello who coordinated the information for the profiles on Tom Morgan and Peter Cloven.

THE END OF AN ERA

It was a wonderful ride while it lasted, but after their ten years of gracious hosting of the Annual Family Picnic, it is time to give Chip and Anne Wray a much-deserved rest. We close out this happy tradition with pictures from the last picnic June 4th.

Thanks to Donna Harris for these photographs



Dan Costello, Robin Harris



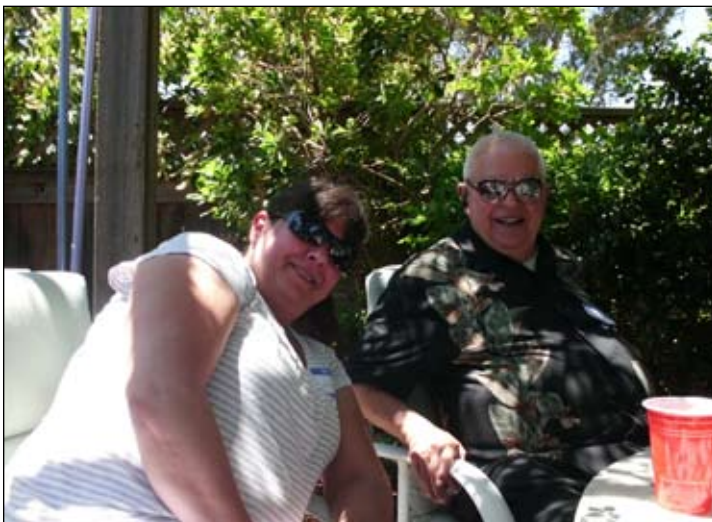
Carl Anderson, Donna Harris



Pete Thompson, Will Deady



Chip Wray, Griff Marshall



Fred Schott and daughter Wendy



The lanai, where most of us gathered

NEWS OF NU ALUMNI

This section of Nu News could be more complete, but many Fraters seem to think no one cares about their accomplishments and milestones, vacations, news of their children. Yet, many readers tell us this is the section they most look forward to in each issue. We welcome all messages and letters.

We always like to hear from **JEFF GRAVES '56**, who says, "I enjoy the time I now have to work with my antique toy collection. I have thousands of toys, and it takes some effort to keep it dusted and orderly. It was exhibited at the local history museum and has been covered by newspapers and a national magazine, Antique Toy Monthly.

I don't travel much but my granddaughters have made up for that, Carina, a high school senior, went to Japan for two weeks on an exchange program sponsored yearly by the local Rotary Club and a Rotary in Japan; and Audrey leaves soon for her freshman year at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

The genealogy work by our daughter, Courtney, resulted in my membership in Sons of the American Revolution (SARS), a fine historical organization."

EARL ANTHONY "TONY" WAYNE '72 checks in with us regularly, this time to say, "I continue living with my wife Pam in Mexico City where I am serving as U.S. Ambassador to Mexico-Mexico relations continue to prosper, with growing trade and investment between the two countries and very close cooperation against international criminal organizations which cause harm to both countries. We also continue working to take full advantage of the people-to-people ties between the two countries and have been trying to increase student exchanges, including between UC Berkeley and Mexican universities. If any of you would like to get a sense of what we are working on daily, please visit the US Embassy Mexico City Facebook and Internet pages."

It's a treat to receive mail from recent grads, too. Here's news from **DAVID HERCHORN '12**. "I received a Boren Scholarship from the government to spend the year studying Arabic in Egypt. I've now been in Cairo for two months and am having an amazing time. In addition to studying Arabic, I've been volunteering to teach English to Egyptian students at

the Embassy, and this week I'm going to start training Egyptian activists and citizen journalists in photography through a local organization. If any Fraters find themselves in this part of the world, they have a place to stay!" David includes a great picture.



SAM PEDEN '59, Head Cheerleader 1958-59, writes, "I'm turning 75 years of age this year and am still actively working as a tax consultant out of my home office. I'm also doing a lot of teaching to CPAs, attorneys, EAs and LTCs and handling representation matters in dealing with the collection division of the IRS as State tax agencies. My wife and I do some traveling in our motor home. I enjoy all professional sports events. Go Bears!"

The Teke Band of the 1950s could have used this well-known sax man. Who knew **FRED LUSK '56** had this talent? Anyway, here he is practicing during a recent gathering of the New Horizons Band and Orchestra in Fresno.



CARL ANDERSON '57, **DICK ANDERSON '58** and **HOWARD NEMIR '57** and their wives attended the Cal Class of '57 55th Reunion at the Bancroft Hotel. A good time was had by all with photos taken with Oski, entertainment by the Cal Band and an appearance by Chancellor Birgenau with farewell remarks, as he is retiring to teach in the Physics Department.

HOWARD NEMIR '57 had a nice visit with **FRED THILL '58** from El Salvador. Fred comes annually to visit his daughter in Livermore. Howard and Claudia still divide their time between Alamo and Pacific Grove where they enjoy watching the sailboats on Monterey Bay. They had the space shuttle fly right by their window as it was flown over the Monterey Bay Aquarium on its way to southern California.

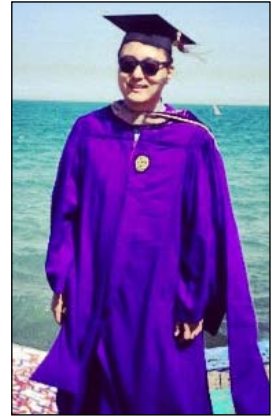
JOHN HEANEY '50 says "Alive and well living in San Diego with wife Kathy. Celebrating 30 years of marriage, no kids, just three cats Zelda, Cooper and Dottie. Kathy teaches and certifies CPR with the business name Life Skills Training. John has been retired for some time now and still enjoys an occasional martini. Both of us are active members of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral."

Here's a posting from **TIM SHORE '84**: "Looking forward to seeing Tekes and Teke alums at pre- and post-football festivities in 2012, with sons Patrick (15) and Liam (12)"

From **BOB HEATH '52**, these words: "The last 12 months were awesome, adventurous and beautiful. We placed a bell in our Church Steeple in memory of my late wife, Bev. In California I attended the TKE Alumni picnic and in Yosemite, a record snow melt left fantastic waterfalls and scenery. I was able

to travel to six new Countries - Tunisia was the most interesting. A typhoon in the South Pacific prevented us from landing on Antarctica - sea waves were over 90 feet and winds over 135 mph. In Vermont, "Irene" with 10" rain in 2 hours was unbelievable. Many bridges and roads were lost. What an unusual year"

TONY SHAN '06 shares this: "I am providing a little update for the next edition of Nu News along with a recent photo of my grad school graduation. I recently graduated from Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in June with my MBA. Business school exposed me to various areas of business and expanded my personal and professional networks. Since graduation, I did a little bit of traveling in Europe and helped out at a cool eCommerce start-up focusing on men. It's basically GQ in a box. You should all check it out at bespokepost.com. After two years in the mid-west, I just moved to New York City and will be working for the American luxury brand, Coach, in its global merchandising group. I do miss the Bay Area very much as well as coming by the house. I hope to one day find my way back there. Shout out to the Shan Clan!"



TKE LUAU

Originally intended as part of the Chip Wray profile, this wonderful photo from the early 1950s needed a place of its own. It was the Teke Luau, with a smoking volcano at the entrance, and a waterfall to go around before reaching the front door. That's Chip down there at the bottom with Joe Gnas and Bill Ells. And there's Dave Francis at the top. How many others can you identify?



FROM THE ARCHIVES

1959 - When the smoke had cleared and the last rush party over, nine men had accepted the bid of Nu: Ray Rasmussen '61, Dan Baker '62, Gene Borges '60, Jack Cole '62, Dave Benson '61, Jerry Miller '62, John Arveson '60, Dave Flippin '61, and Dick Mier '61.

1960 - John Phillips '61 and John Slaughter '61 just returned from a four-month tour of Europe via a Citroen.

1961 - The Teke Alumni Spring Reunion was held at the Chapter House on April 10th. Highlight of the evening was the presentation of scholarship awards to the five undergraduates with the highest averages: Drew Fullbright '62, Eric Lindberg '61, Denis Vineys '62, Dan Baker '61, and James Singleton '61.

1962 - Tom Morgan '50 was elected President of the graduate chapter at its annual meeting March 1.

Making his home in Hawaii is Willson C. Moore Jr. '50. Willie is an attorney now and is President of the Kahala Elementary PTA. His interest in schools is motivated by three children: Willson III, 7, Brian, 5, and Sharon, 3.

1963 - Flying C-119 "Boxcars" for the USAF is Jerald D. Blalock '60. He was called up last October and says he doesn't know how long he will be in.

1965 - Jim Clardy '65, Chapter President, introduced a number of guest speakers at the Founders Day Banquet January 10. George Dove '51 and Soph Goth '18 each gave an address.

1966 - Fourteen men pledged Teke this fall, a significant increase over last year's ten. This is one of the larger pledge classes on campus and we can be proud that our efforts were crowned with this fine result.

1968 - Teke Mascot Brutus celebrated his fifth birthday this spring.

John J. Quigley '61 is an auditor with Haskins and Sells, CPA in San Francisco. From 1964-66 he was in production management with Fairchild Semiconductors.

1970 - After residing in Redding for six years, Samuel Peden '59 is back in the Bay Area where he is working for the IRS in San Francisco.

Leonard Schlusel '49 reports a new position as Assistant Principal for Student Services at Silver Creek High School in San Jose.

1972 - John Bell '56 has been a pilot with Pan Am since 1967 and is now living in Berlin, flying to West Germany through the corridors. He is married to an ex-Eastern Airlines stewardess and they have a daughter 6 and a son 4.

1974 - Jeff Redlitz '76, last quarter's Vice President, has taken the winter quarter off to travel in Bolivia. In the meantime, the task of recruiting new members has fallen to Frank Nemec '75.

1977 - Our chapter is passing through the winter quarter with a strong undergraduate membership of 42. Thirty-six are living in the house and six outside.

No sooner had we initiated our fall pledge class than we pledged a new member. He is Michael Wray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chip Wray.

1979 - Fred Lusk '56 still teaches high school chemistry and flies helicopters for the National Guard. Their home remodeling is nearing completion.

1983 - Ed Dermott '49 is a lawyer in Santa Rosa. He says he is one-fourth retired. He tries to take a week off every month.

1985 - Warren Newmark lives in Manhattan Beach and has a pre-game party and a bus to the game every year when the Golden Bears visit L.A. to play either UCLA or USC.

1986 - Griff Marshall '51 is with a company involved in debt recovery for US and UK banks and their clients in Africa, coupled with countertrade. Griff has lived in Tiburon for 18 years when not in foreign lands.

1988 - Kudos to Dan Costello '51, President of the San Francisco Teke Alumni Chapter, for making all the arrangements for the highly successful Christmas Luncheon at the Olympic Club. Dan is in the pharmaceutical business and his wife, Sharon, is the manager of the Oakland office of Kelly Services.

Earl Boynton '56 retired from the U.S. Army Reserve as a full Colonel in April 1987 after 30 years of active and reserve military service. He was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal on the occasion of his retirement.

1990 - Peter Winkler '76 is an attorney and is busy with five or six trials per year. He competes in a lot of sports: swimming, triathlon, pentathlon and cross-country skiing. Next is high-altitude mountain climbing.

Chapter Eternal

DAN PETERSEN '58 – 1936-2012

Born in January 1936, a resident of Alamo, Dan passed away in August 2012 after a valiant battle with cancer. Born to Danish parents in San Francisco, Dan was very proud of his Danish heritage.

Holding scroll number 407, he was initiated into TKE September 26, 1955. Graduating in 1958, he had a successful career of over 45 years with United States Steel. He was widely respected, greatly admired, and a warm, congenial Frater.

He married Herdis, the love of his life, in Denmark, where they celebrated their 25th and 40th wedding anniversaries. He loved spending time with his friends and family, particularly enjoying his grandchildren. Besides Herdis, he is survived by a daughter, Tina Ling of Walnut Creek, and son Christian Petersen of Phoenix, Arizona, three grandchildren and a sister.

Memorial Services were held at Community Presbyterian Church in Alamo on September 12 with several Tekes in attendance.

USING YOUR ONLINE ALUMNI DIRECTORY

We receive many calls from Alumni (who we know are online) asking for addresses and phone numbers of their Fraters. We suspect the process of accessing our Online Directory may still be a little bit daunting to some, so let's go over this again:

On your web browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox, whatever) type in www.TKENu-Alumni.org.

This will bring you to our web page. In the black index band toward the top of the page, go to **Alumni** where you will get a drop-down. Click on **Member Directory**.

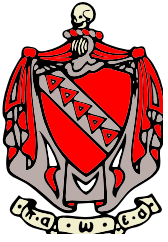
This brings you to a page which tells you **Access Our Directory**. Click on that (page shown here in the photo).

You will be presented with two boxes, one on top of the other. In the top box (User Name), type **CALTEKE** (capital letters). In the bottom box (Password) type **calteke** (lower case letters).

This opens the directory. Notice that you have many choices. You may view Alumni, Parents, Friends or Undergraduates. Under the **Filter** you may choose Active, Lost or Deceased. In most cases you will want to use **Alumni** and **Active**.

Now click on the **GO** box. And there you are!





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The TKE Nu Alumni Association wants to make sure that being a “Teke for life” is not an empty phrase. Its mission is to carry on the cherished ideals of Tau Kappa Epsilon, even after an active member graduates from UC Berkeley and takes leave of the active chapter, as follows:

The Nu Chapter Alumni Association endeavors to keep alumni knowledgeable about the activities of the active chapter, and to support the active chapter and the Berkeley chapter house. That support can take the form of financial donations toward housing improvements, scholarship funding, or any number of other ongoing or ad hoc needs. That support can also take the form of volunteer time at the chapter house, at a chapter, regional or alumni event, or on a Nu Chapter board or committee.

The Nu Chapter Alumni Association further endeavors to keep alumni in contact with one another. The Alumni Association recognizes that over the course of busy family and professional lives it is easy to lose touch with fellow Tekes known from university days. The Alumni Association provides a reason and a forum to keep old TKE friendships current, and to help form new ones for professional and personal benefit.

In this way, the Nu Chapter Alumni Association endeavors to continue encouraging excellence in scholarship, instilling leadership qualities, promoting service to chapter and community, building moral and ethical character, recognizing the value of teamwork, and fostering life-long brotherhood.

Thanks to Frater David Lavine '88, incoming Alumni Association Treasurer for developing this statement.