



THIS MONTH AT NU



ELECTIONS: NEW CHAPTER OFFICERS!

On Monday, November 29th the undergraduate chapter held its annual election. The election extended the regular chapter meeting by a bit, running almost five hours. Sixteen well qualified Fraters ran for the eight jeweled officer positions. Before running for a position each candidate was required to submit platform points and respond to written questions for the chapter voter guide. Candidates were then given time for a speech and questions and answers in the chapter meeting. All candidates were required to win by a minimum of 50% of the vote. In the end Curtis Hendrickson

came ahead to win Prytanis over Andy Henning. Epiprytanis will be Chris Lee; Hypophetes: Doug Wreden; Crysophylos: Mike Tuffli; Histor: Steve Edelstone; Grammateus: Kevin Zhu; Pylortes: James Brady; and Hegemon: Mike Rigg.



Front: Curtis, Steve Mike T; Back: Kevin, James Mike R., Doug

AMAZING SEMESTER FOR NU COMMUNITY SERVICE!

With over 30 brothers and pledges attending, Tau Kappa Epsilon made an impressive appearance at the 2010 Berkeley Project on November 6th. Along with other student from various organizations, the brothers of TKE helped remove invasive plants and weeds from the shoreline at the Berkeley marina.

In addition, the brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon, Nu Chapter, have been extremely active both within and outside the Greek community. By attending philanthropic events at sororities, which include AXO's Spaghetti Dinner, and TriDelt's annual House of Pancakes, brothers have shown dedication to supporting our fellow Greek peers. TKE also emerged victoriously from Theta's Dodgeball tournament, securing the championship and a 1st place trophy!

Other community service events included a letter writing event and social gathering, co-executed with TriDelt, Sigma Nu, and Kappa Alpha Psi, to raise awareness for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. This event marks the first time that houses from all four Greek councils have collaborated to organize and carry out a philanthropic program. Over 200 students attended this event and over 2,000 letters were written. Furthermore, a

handful of brothers volunteered with the Berkeley Path Wanderer's Association, helping to install wooden steps on a footpath in the hills behind Grizzly Peak Blvd, and assisted at the Trick-Or-Greek program, which allowed local students to experience trick-or-treating at various Greek houses.

Outside the Greek community, TKE brothers continued to demonstrate their commitment to service, volunteering in mentoring programs with middle and elementary school students and at healthcare facilities in the community, among other programs.

The Fall 2010 pledges were also extremely active, completing over 175 hours of community service over the course of their semester by participating in both Greek-sponsored events and outside opportunities located by their diligent pledge class Secretary.



(From left to right) Fraters Alex Hebels, David Lopez, Mike Rigg, and Barrett Glasauer at the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital Letter Writing party.

Alumnus Spotlight

Nasir Khan, Nas for short, was in the class of 2006 and was among the first members to be initiated into the new Nu Colony on September 7, 2003. He has now gone on to



do it again, this time at American University in Washington, DC where the Upsilon-Omicron chapter was installed on November 19th. Nas has been serving as the Chapter Advisor for Upsilon-Omicron and says, "Like the Tekes back home at Nu, these are men of outstanding personal worth and character, and the whole experience feels very familiar." Most likely because, as he did at Nu as an undergraduate, he's followed Upsilon-Omicron from an interest group, to a colony, and finally into a chartered TKE Chapter. After graduating from Cal, Nas went on to American University for his JD and a Master's in international politics. He is hoping to get a job in the Diplomatic Service.

Collegiate Spotlight

Dustin McKenzie is the outgoing Prytanis and class of 2011. He is double majoring in Economics and Political Science. As Prytanis he has led the chapter to another Top TKE award and



to become the University of California Fraternity of the Year. Frater David Hershorn, outgoing Grammateus, sums him up the best: "Dustin's true genius lies in his ability to communicate with the chapter; when he speaks, everyone listens. It is not because of the gavel in his hand, but out of the highest esteem for him as a man. It is his core dedication to the ideals of the Fraternity and his outward display of genuine care for every brother that inspires those of us around him that allows him to speak right to every frater's heart." Dustin will be studying abroad next semester in Barcelona, Spain before returning to finish his degree.

Share YOUR Stories!

Do you have a story? Know someone who should be in the spotlight? Share it! Email Anthony Wright with stories or recommendations for the spotlight section at: awright@tkenu.com

Upcoming Events

Christmas Luncheon: Friday, Dec 10th

Building on last year's huge success we will once again be holding our TKE Christmas Luncheon at HS Lordships in the Berkeley Marina. Lunch will be served at Noon, Drinks at the Bar Beforehand. RSVPs were due November 24th. For more information contact Peter Cloven '86: gobears86@gmail.com

Young Alumni Vegas Reunion Dec 27-28

Young alumni will meet up in Las Vegas for an extended Christmas vacation the Monday and Tuesday after Christmas. For more information contact John Waste '07: sirwaste@gmail.com

Support the Chapter

Donating Time and Skills

Looking to donate in a more interactive way? Consider donating your skills to the chapter. Both Nu Chapter and the Grand chapter are always looking for Alumni Volunteers. For more information on what you can do contact Anthony Wright '10: awright@tkenu.com

Donating Things

The Chapter is always in need of many common house-hold items. If you have something you are considering throwing away or donating stop and ask to see if the chapter could use it. You can contact the chapter Prytanis at president@tkenu.com.

Donating Money

Monetary Donations are always welcome and can help the chapter with various causes. Donations may be made online, by phone, or by mail.

For more information visit us online at <http://Donate.TKENu.com>

For more information on our scholarship programs visit the alumni association website: <http://www.tkenu-alumni.org>

Update your Info

New Address? Phone Number? Email? Make sure to update the chapter whenever your information changes so that we can keep you up-to-date on chapter and alumni news and event. Update online at: <http://update.tkenu.com>

ANNUAL ALUMNI THANKSGIVING DINNER A SUCCESS

This year's Annual Alumni Thanksgiving Dinner was a big success! The Sunday after Big Game, the dinner was put on by the undergraduate chapter and held at the house. Dinner included four turkeys, two hams, mashed potatoes, gravy, candied yams, cranberry sauce, stuffing, green beans, and roles, with a selection of

red and white wines. The dinner was prepared by the house chef, Ray Robinson, and organized by Histor Andy Henning. Attendance was great with over 60 people in attendance, but Andy hopes to see an even bigger turn out next year. And don't forget the Christmas Luncheon is only days away on December 10th!

SEMESTERLY CHAPTER RETREAT A SUCCESS!

As the Hypophetes, Kyle Meshna is responsible for the planning, coordination, and execution of the semesterly brotherhood retreat. He wanted to accomplish the difficult task of removing the chapter from the overwhelming stresses of Berkeley scholastics and simply have a fun, unstructured day away from the chapter house. Originally he wanted to make the trip down to Santa Cruz for a drastic change of scenery from the bustling Berkeley City to a relaxing forest hike and day at the beach. However, due to poor weather and budgetary constraints, Kyle was forced to change plans last minute and reschedule both the time and location to Veteran's Day at Golden Gate Park. Although the chapter also ran into setbacks in the form of a closed Bay Bridge and a sudden lack of cars, they were all able to make the trip to a small portion of the park next to Stow Lake. The location provided them with exactly what we needed: a semi-private area for personal and chapter reflection, and a large, diverse area in which little structure was required to have an amazing and relaxing day. Although there was a structured portion for reflection, Kyle felt that the chapter accomplished the overall relaxing feel that

he sought to provide to the brothers and pledges. By escaping the city to a small pocket of nature the chapter was able to bond over simply unwinding and hanging out with one another in a new place, while showing the pledges what it was really like to be a brother, a valuable resource as they went into their final week as pledges. Thanks to the hospitality of a brother in the area, everyone was able to have a large, filling meal of ribs, baked potatoes, and salad, all while gaining insight into the home-life of one of our members. Overall the retreat was a huge success, and Kyle feels as though it has set a precedent as to what a good retreat can and should be.



Fraters and Candidates complete Gavel Pass following a long day of reflection on the Chapter's future.

TKE CHAMPIONS IN THETA DODGE-BALL

TKE participated in Kappa Alpha Theta's annual dodgeball tournament in support of the Court Appointed Special Advocate Association which stands for children in court who have experienced parental abuse or neglect. TKE won the competition, bringing back to the house a Wii video game console and the new Def Jam Rap Star game as well as a giant trophy now on display in the chapter room.



The team celebrating their championship after the game.