



# THIS MONTH AT NU



## CHAPTER BRAVES THE WAVES RAFTING

While the football team was away playing Colorado, the Tekes and some friends went up to Sacramento for a float down the American River. It was just a calm float, there were no major rapids, so we all enjoyed jumping in and out of rafts and relaxing in the river. By the end of the trip everyone was in a different raft from the

one they started in. About 60 brothers and 40 guests filled up ten rafts so there was plenty of revelry on the river. The hot weather was a good break from foggy Berkeley and the river was refreshing. Everyone had a great time.

By Max Keeler



Fraters and Guests enjoying the day out on the Water

## CHAPTER WELCOMES 11 PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

The Chapter recently welcomed 11 prospective members into its ranks after nearly a week of recruitment events and a difficult selection process. Out of the many young men that attended Fall Rush events, which included a trip to La Val's Pizza and a night of Broomballing played at an Oakland ice rink, these 11 stood out because of their embodiment of TKE ideals, including our ideological touchstones of love, charity, and esteem. Together they make up the Tau class, following the 19-member Sigma class of last spring.

This successful recruitment period was made possible by the tireless efforts of Rush Chairs Andy Henning, Barrett Glasauer and Eric Tye, who put together this fall's recruitment events, as well as last spring's. Though their efforts were key in the success of this semester's Rush, it is also important to acknowledge the many brothers who were also dedicated to a fruitful recruitment season, exhausting much time and energy in the careful selection of a new pledge class.

By Eric Foard

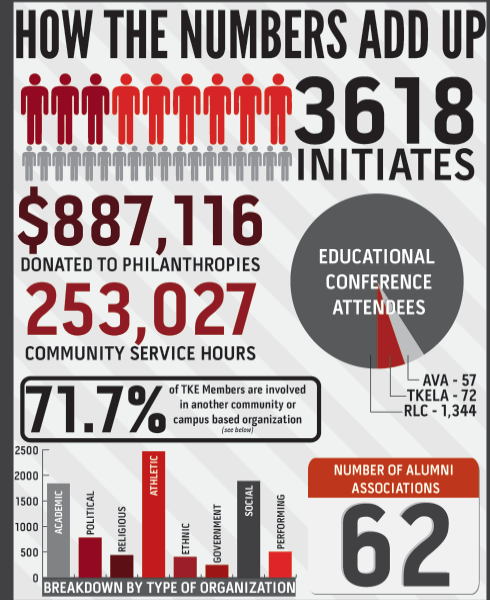
## News from the Grand Chapter

### TKE is Hiring

The Controller/Chief Financial Officer position on the TKE Professional Staff is open. If you feel like you have what it takes, We Want You to apply!

Applications are due no later than October 30th, 2011 to [Brent Patrick](#). For more information on the position please see the job description at [http://www.tke.org/news/2011/09/15/tke\\_is\\_hiring\\_CFO](http://www.tke.org/news/2011/09/15/tke_is_hiring_CFO)

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## A LOOK AT LAW

Tekes are everywhere and in every-  
 thing, including the law. From law students,  
 to lawyers, to judges we've got them all,  
 and in the edition of This Month at Nu we  
 are going to take a look at the different  
 stages of becoming a lawyer, and the am-  
 ple amount of career types than can come  
 out of it.



## JEREMIAH "JEZ" ABRIGO #1051

Hello Fraters! My name is Jeremiah Abrigo and I graduated from Cal in the spring of 2010. Currently, I am a 1L at the City University of New York School of Law. This is my first time in New York City (and my first time on the East Coast for that matter) and I am loving it so far! I've been in law school for about a month, and I've been fortunate enough that my stress level has been kept at a minimum. I have come realize that during the semester the main issue a law student has to grapple with is the immense amount of reading that has to be done. Some people may argue that stress can come from being called on to discuss a case in lecture, but I find that as long as you briefed a case thoroughly there shouldn't be a problem. I was actually cold-called in my Criminal Law lecture, but since I didn't look over my notes before class, the discussion ended in a train wreck. I also found that finding a group of friends in your classes that you can study with as well as grab a drink outside of class helps relieve a substantial amount of stress that I would normally have to deal with alone.

So as my first semester in law school reaches its midpoint, I can honestly say that I'm enjoying the experience so far! New York is a beautiful city, I love my law school, and there are enough TKEs on the East Coast that I can meet up with and have a beer. I'm excited for the rest of this semester, as well as the rest of the Cal football season. Go Bears!



Jeremiah Abrigo '10

**CONTINUED: A LOOK AT LAW****BRYCE RIDDLE #1042**

As I write this article, I am entering my fourth week as a law student and my sixth week as a resident of a state other than California. Being that this is the case, I am not going to pretend I know much about the inner workings of law school or the secrets of how to succeed in it. What I can do, however, is talk about my experience thus far from the perspective of someone who is in a new situation for the first time:

So far, law school has been a lot of work (shocking, right?). Learning what is important to take note of in the reading assignments is a very time consuming endeavor, and it has not come naturally to me. The single most important thing that I have done for myself since starting law school has been to create and adhere to a schedule. During the first week of law school, I was staying up until 2:30 a.m. trying to finish my work for the next day, getting up at 7 the next morning, and then repeating that process all over again. Needless to say, by week's end I was exhausted. The following weekend I structured my schedule so that I would not have to do more than 2 subjects of reading per night. Following this schedule has already drastically improved my sleeping hours and has really improved my mood. I have also noticed that my sense of responsibility has increased as well. As a law student, my entire grade is based on the final. While this has the potential to be stressful if I am not adequately prepared for it, it has actually made me take every class and every assignment seriously.

Beyond the shock of adjusting to the academic rigors of law school,

the experience has been somewhat fun. I have been meeting a lot of new people, I am discovering all the cool things that Minneapolis has to offer, and I am actually interested in the topics that I am learning (when I am able to grasp all of the concepts, that is).

The most important thing that I could say to a prospective law student (from my infinite wisdom which three weeks of school has imparted upon me) is this- be serious when you work, let loose when you aren't; as long as you accept the fact that you will be working harder than you ever have in your life, you will be fine.

Sorry that this is such a short article, but that is just all that I have gotten out of my three full weeks so far- learn how to study, make time for yourself, and work hard...



Bryce Riddle '10

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### CARL ANDERSON: WORKING FOR THE DA

The summer between second and third year I was all set to work in the Trust department of a bank in Los Angeles, living with my parents in Pasadena. Unfortunately [fortunately, as it turns out] the day before finals, I received word from my Army Reserve unit I could not miss my monthly meetings and summer camp so I was confined to Berkeley. I noticed a flyer on the bulletin board that the Public Defender was interviewing for summer interns (no pay), and made an appointment to interview with him. His office was in the Alameda County Courthouse, and being a little nervous and unfamiliar with the route, I arrived 30 minutes early. I checked out the Directory in that high ceiling, marbled lobby, and there was listed the District Attorney. Thoughts of my boyhood flashed through my mind, when I would listen intently to the radio version of "Mr. District Attorney," introduced by the Voice of the Law as "defender of the down trodden, feared by toughest of criminals...."

Well, I'll just drop in on him until its time for the PD. So up the elevator to the 9th floor and to a nice receptionist who asked when my appointment was. Sheepishly explaining I had none but loved Mr. District Attorney she contacted the Secretary to the Chief, as he was known to the office [just like Mr. District Attorney]—a very nice executive secretary. She explained that she would see if the Chief would see me. She was back in a minute, and ushered me in to meet James Francis "Frank", "the Chief" Coakley. I explained why I was there, just wanted to meet him, filling up time before my big interview with Mr. Pulich, the Public Defender of Alameda County.

He had the morning Call Bulletin and Oakland Tribune with their

headlines "Commies on the Cal Campus," spread before him and obviously had been reading about the infiltration of cells at the University. "What was I doing about that down at Sproul Hall" he wanted to know. I timidly explained that I spent all my time in the library—only a slight exaggeration—and never got that far West. He was very inquisitive, and really liked athletes and Catholics, of which I was none....but we hit it off, and when I called off the interview at 11:05, explaining that I was late for the big interview, he offered to match what Martin offered and would assign me to the Berkeley Office for the summer which would mesh with my house sitting job in Berkeley well. I kept the interview downstairs, but those boyhood memories and Mr. Coakley's enthusiasm for crime (and commie) fighting convinced me to his was an offer not to be refused. [In fact, I later learned few in county government, least of all his staff, refused his suggestions.] LES-SON: If you want to work for the DA, offer to intern for the summer pro bono [without pay], and if he or she doesn't have the program, convince him or her to start one with you.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW GRADUATES!****CARL ANDERSON: BECOMING A JUDGE**

Fourteen years later on the first Friday in January early in the afternoon at my desk preparing for trial, having reached the exalted position of Senior Deputy District Attorney, when the phone rang. It was Ed Meese's assistant in the Governor's Office, Herb Ellingwood, with the news the Governor wanted to appoint me to the Superior Court of Alameda County. [Ed Meese was Executive Secretary to the Governor, and the Governor was Frater Ronald Reagan.] The Governor was leaving Sacramento forever in 2 hours, his term ending at midnight on Sunday, so I did not have a lot of time to consider this proposal. Several months ago, back in August, Herb had convinced me to file an application for the Municipal Court. I had never aspired to be a judge, really like being a litigator, and had little respect for a lot of our county's judges, but I agreed to try it—on condition that if I did not like it I could always resign.

Now, the offer was for the Superior Court, and I was only 39—way to young for this position. I could not locate my wife to discuss this life changing possibility with her, so I got counsel from my boss, District Attorney D. Lowell Jensen. We decided there was really no downside, although there was some question whether Frater Ron had the authority to appoint a judge who would survive after midnight on Sunday. [The previous occupant of the position was Lew Sherman, a Berkeley Municipal Court Judge, who won the seat in a June election to take the office on the first Monday in January, was diagnosed with cancer in July, appointed by Frater Ron in September, after the incumbent retired early, and died in November]. So I called Herb back, accepted the offer, ran up to Sacramento early Saturday to sign the pa-

pers, dashed back for a very impromptu swearing-in Saturday afternoon, and so began a new career.

On Monday I reported to Presiding Judge, George Phillips, for duty. He greeted me with a letter which stated that I was no longer a judge—it had been just a week-end fling—and he would not assign me any cases. "Now, Carl, you can take this letter to an attorney and sue me." "But George, why don't you get an attorney and sue me?" I responded, knowing that if he did the County Counsel would represent me. No deal. So Tuesday, I interviewed with Ed Heafey, Jr., he took the case, and on Friday at 4:59 pm filed a printed Motion for Mandamus directly in the California Supreme Court—To order PJ Phillips to assign me work, because I was a real judge.

Needless to say, the lawsuit got a lot of attention...and some in high places. California's new Governor, Jerry Brown, filed an Amicus Brief against me, written by the new Attorney General, Eville Younger, and a Republican no less, but that's another story. Then the Democratic Lawyers Club of Alameda County filed its brief against me. While the Supreme Court sorted this out I was assigned cases from PJ Phillips by securing the stipulation of counsel to accept me, so I kept busy.....but of course did not get paid. [this was a novel approach to pro bono.] I sort of liked the work, and with so many seeking my position, there must be something more to this job than I had imagined. So, on March 17th the Supreme Court issued its opinion. They granted Mandamus by a vote of 6 to 1! [Anderson v Phillips, 13 C3d 733, 1975] I was now for real. LESSON: Always answer the phone on a Friday afternoon.

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