



THIS MONTH AT NU



HELP SUPPORT THE CHAPTER: DUES DUE!

Hopefully one your New Year's resolutions is to help better support your fraternity! The Nu Chapter Alumni Association is dedicated to helping you stay connected with the chapter and to providing the means to maintain relationships and communication between Fraters. Supporting the Alumni Association means supporting things like this newsletter, the semiannual Nu News, the Annual Christmas Luncheon in the Berkeley Maria, the Annual Summer Picnic in Sonoma, mailings and communication between alumni and current undergraduates, scholar-

ship programs, award programs, and the beautiful TKE house we all so much enjoy returning to, among other opportunities and benefits. Even as we speak the Alumni Association is looking for new ways to help give back to Alumni, especially the new Alumni who are now starting to join are ranks.

The cost is ONLY \$50 a year, due each January. It can be paid online via PayPal or by check. For more details go to our website at: <http://tkenu-alumni.org> And click donate! (Annual Fund)

AWE-INSPIRING PERFORMANCE WINS KAPPA KARAOKE!

The undergraduates outperformed a dozen other groups in this year's Kappa Karaoke to come in first, winning a \$150 donation to our national philanthropy, St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Kappa Karaoke is a singing competition with three top prizes put on annually by Kappa Kappa Gamma to raise money for their philanthropy, Reading is Fundamental, which promotes literacy nation-wide, especially targeting under-served children. The TKE team was organized by Fraters Brett Goldstein, a former member of the UC Men's Octet and Andrew Flood. Fraters Brett Goldstein, Harry Gitelman, Alex Flood, Ryan Tabura, Nik Crain, Jack Cambou, James Brady, Steven Edlestone, and Andrew Flood preformed Cee Lo Green's hit single "F**k You" commonly played on the radio in an edited version as "Forget You." The song which comes in at 17th on Billboard's Hot 100 was a huge hit, and the crowd went wild

within seconds of the start of the song. Frater's Nick Duffy, Nick Chang, and Jordon Hemingway, who played drums, keyboard, and base respectively, provided an extra boost for the performance by providing live music, pushing TKE well beyond any other group's efforts. Fraters' throughout the audience reported hearing phrases such as "its like we're at a real concert" and "this is amazing" throughout the performance.

The performance is available online at the Chapter You Tube page at:

<http://www.youtube.com/TKENUChapter>



DO YOU KNOW A FRATER DESERVING AN AWARD?

Extraordinary service to the Fraternity

May be awarded to any alumni who has exhibited continued extraordinary dedication to the Fraternity, above and beyond the call of our Bond. The Frater must have graduated at least 5 years prior to receiving the award, and must have shown consistent dedication to the Fraternity for a period of at least 5 years.

Life Time Achievement Award

May be awarded to any Frater who, during his lifetime, has made a contribution of outstanding significance to the community.

If you know a frater deserving of such an award contact Frater Anthony Wright at: awright@tkenu.com

Alumnus Spotlight

Peter Cloven is from the class of 1986 and was initiated on February 21, 1985. Peter Cloven is currently Co-Chapter Advisor with Steve Schmidt and was the organizer for this year's Annual Christmas Luncheon. Peter just celebrated his 10 year anniversary with his wife and best friend Lisa (who is also fellow Cal grad) and has two daughters, Alayna (4) and Rochelle (7) who keep him busy as their soccer coach, dad, and co-taxi driver with dance, swimming, girl scouts, school, etc... Peter owns Pinnacle Environmental Inc. and is experiencing the ups and downs of the economy, but he is doing better than his competition! Peter's focus in 2011 will be attempt to get more public sector work to off set the loss of private sector work. Even with all that Peter still enjoys his participation with TKE. He says that "it is truly an amazing 'return on investment' to put time into the house and relationships with its members. Every semester I am fortunate to see quality men with intelligence and depth of character that inspire me to continue to want to be involved with TKE. I know that with the quality of men passing through our house, our future (both in our house and the world) is in great hands." Peter really enjoyed the TKE Christmas luncheon and looks forward to have more alums get involved in the house in 2011.



Collegiate Spotlight

Camden Andrews is a 4th year Rhetoric major and past Hegemon. He has just returned from Studying abroad in India.

Check out's his blog on his

last 6 months in India at: <http://diggingtodelhi.wordpress.com/>



Share YOUR News!

Do you have news? Let us know what going on with you! 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

A FAREWELL FROM EXITING HISTOR ANDY HENNING '11

I am pleased to inform you that the new Histor for the 2011 calendar year is Steven Edelstone. I can assure you

that he has big plans for the next year, so keep a heads up for upcoming events and announcements!

PRYTANIS: CURTIS HENDRICKSON

My name is Curtis Hendrickson and I am a third semester transfer student majoring in History. I was born in San Clemente California in which I spent my youth in school as well as always being involved in outside organizations such as student government and theater. After high school I attended a Junior college very close to my hometown called Saddleback College and in two years I was accepted to Berkeley. As pledge class president,

and now outgoing Hegemon of the Rho pledge class, I am extremely pleased to be the current Nu Chapter President of Tau Kappa Epsilon. I look forward to the experience that I will gain and I am excited to give back to the organization that has taught me great life lessons to live by. The six pillars and the ninth paragraph have become integral in my personal growth and I will urge the chapter to work to better themselves through these words.

EPIPRYTANIS: CHRISTOPHER LEE '12

My name is Christopher Lee, and I am from Laguna Niguel, California. I am in my third year at UC Berkeley, and I am majoring in Philosophy and Economics. Since joining Nu Chapter with the Omicron pledge class, I have watched TKE grow rapidly in many ways. My goal as Epiprytanis is to continue this growth and build upon the fantastic work that my predecessors have done.

I hope to get more of the chapter actively involved in putting together the chapter's diverse array of activities and to create sustainable models for these events that can give the future leaders of Nu Chapter something to build upon. I am extremely excited to work with our new officer corps and active members to continue TKE's success at Berkeley.

GRAMMATEUS : KEVIN ZHU '13

My name is Kevin Zhu and I am currently a second year bioengineering major from Palo Alto, California. As the new Grammateus, I would like to continue the excellent job that my predecessor has done, while improving upon and expanding my responsibilities. My first goal is to make meeting minutes easier to read through succinct notes and the inclusion of a summary of significant business. I

would also like to implement a weekly and monthly calendar containing relevant events within and outside of TKE. My last goal is to improve weekly meeting attendance and sustain it throughout the year. Additionally, there are many smaller projects I am currently working on to advance the position of Grammateus. I am always open to ideas and suggestions, so feel free to get in touch!

HYPOPHETES: DOUG WREDEN '13

My name is Doug Wreden, I'm a sophomore studying Computer Science, and I am originally from Sacramento. What I would like to see in TKE is an even stronger

brotherhood than we have now. The brothers in the house are closer than ever, and I hope to enrich and support this family at TKE that we have created.

Said of Curtis by Frater Max Keeler "...Curtis: you are the best. I have so much respect for how much you dedicate yourself to this house and how you jumped right in after becoming a brother."



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Said of Chris Lee by Frater Jeremy Centeno "I think it would make more sense to try to find something BAD about Chris Lee because that would be the greatest challenge."



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Said of Kevin by Frater Andrew Trevino "You're always down for whatever, and all the times we've hung out have been awesome. I honestly don't have a single bad thing to say about you."



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Said of Doug by Frater Alex Morris "the most spontaneous and exciting person to be around! I love you so much Doug, and I'm glad I've been able to aid you and Ben on your quest to complete your semester's wish list."



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CRYSOPHYLOS : MICHAEL TUFFLI '13

My name is Michael Tuffli '13 and I grew up in Marin County, CA and came to Cal to study Economics. As the new Crysopholos there are a few changes I plan on making and challenges to overcome. I plan on increasing transparency with the budget and doing what the house feels is best with its money while working with the housing board to be as efficient as possible. Also, be-

cause a few people are going abroad for the semester, I will deal with a lower budget in the spring and then most likely a larger budget in the fall by making responsible cuts and increases when necessary. I look forward to a good year as an officer and think that Nu Chapter will continue on its path of success.

PYLORTES: JAMES BRADY '14

My name is James Brady and I'm a freshman studying Chemical Biology originally from Thousand Oaks. Although I'm slightly new to the house, one thing I would like to see in the house is more

brother reliability. The safety of the house is much easier to maintain knowing that every frater is on the same page, and will attend a security shift when asked to.

HEGEMON: MICHAEL RIGG '13

My name is Michael Rigg and I am from Westlake Village, CA. I'm currently a second year student studying Molecular & Cell Biology here at Berkeley and I am the new Chapter Educator for the Nu Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon. I want to ensure that our candidate education process

runs smoothly and successfully and I would like to make sure that our members stay educated on the values and traditions of our fraternity. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions of suggestions about the upcoming pledge process.

HISTOR: STEVE EDELSTONE '13

Hello! My name is Steven Edelstone and I am a second year Political Science major. I made the incredibly long trek to Berkeley from the faraway town of Moraga, located a distant 15 or so miles away. Born into a Cal family, I have been a huge Cal fan my entire life, attending both football and basketball games for as long as I can remember. As the new Histor, I want to first integrate the rich and storied history of the University of California Berkeley into the pledge history lessons, as I see the history of Berkeley as an integral part into shaping the house into what it is today. Secondly, I really want to see a more engaged connection between the young alumni since rechartering and the current ac-

tive chapter. Through more athletic alumni events such as an alumni-active softball game, I feel that the youngest alums that played such an integral part my pledge semester will once again become more active in the chapter's affairs and show all of us once again where the current house has come from and where it needs to go. Lastly, I want to push the importance of joining the Alumni Association as well as further connect it with the active fraters in the current house. You will all be hearing from me shortly about upcoming alumni events, but feel free to contact me if you have any ideas for fun new events! I'm always open to new ideas!



Said of Mike by Frater Curtis Hendrickson "I would just like to be the first to say that you are the best big bro and the biggest baller that I have ever met. You are too smart for your own good. Keep being a great guy."

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Said of James by Frater Oren Fiedman "...you are always reliable. Whether it is going to Sproul to watch Ryan sing or annoying Harry with his Telebears, you are always a pleasure to be around."

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Said of Mike by Frater Nick Duffy "No one can understate how much you care about this house and how much work you put into making TKE a better place for everyone."

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Said of Steve by Frater Avi Baskin "Edelstone is the man. I love this little [guy] like a brother. Regardless of how much shit I try to give him he always bounces back and stays positive."

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Upcoming Events

Rush Alumni Dinner: Thurs, January 27th

Meet at the house for dinner to meet all of the new pledges and to show that TKE truly is the Fraternity for Life! This dinner, at the end of rush, is the first formal introduction to the house for the new pledges, and a high Alumni Turnout is important to show them just how much the house means. Dinner will be in the evening, so keep your calendar free and watch out for an invitation with the exact details!

RSVP to the Rush Chairs at:
rush@tkenu.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>

CHRISTMAS DATE PARTY SPECTACULAR!

The undergraduate chapter held its annual Christmas Date Party this past December 3rd. The event was organized by Frater Brett Goldstein '12 and Frater Alex Morris '13 and was a huge success. The event was held at the chapter house which was decked out with Christmas lights, holly, garland, and yes mistletoe! Almost the entire chapter was in attendance, a live jazz band (organized by Frater Nick Duffy '13) performed, and a professional photographer was on site to take photos of the couples in front of the chapter Christmas tree. Everyone who attended agreed it was one of the best date parties in recent memory and the organizer were

nominated for and won Teke of the week that Monday.



(From left to right) Josh Feldman and date Allison Mason, Joe Martorana and date Patti Shnell, Ben Gregori, and Brooke Rumley and date Kyle Meshna.

For more photos of the event visit the chapter's flicker page at:
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/tkenu/>

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON SHOWS RECORD ATTENDANCE!

The Christmas Luncheon, organized by Frater Peter Cloven '86 (spotlighted on page 1) was a huge success. The larger room—almost twice the size compared to last year—was no challenge to fill as this year's luncheon showed record attendance both from Alumni and Undergraduates. Frater Chris Lee '13 said of the event "Today's alumni luncheon was fantastic event that I wish more active Tekes had attended. It was really awesome to see a big room full of TKE alumni and some of their family members. We heard a lot of stories

and jokes and met really cool alums, including Ed Dermott!" Keep an eye out for this Spring's Nu News for photos and more detailed information on this year's Christmas Luncheon! We look forward to seeing you next year!



CHAPTER GOES ALL OUT FOR THE HOLIDAYS

In the spirit of the Holidays Chapter Members went into the wilderness of downtown Berkeley and devolved into a forest of pine trees to choose the eight foot evergreen visible in the background of the Date Party photo above. Then without even touching the tree somehow got it packaged and tied down on the roof of a Frater's car to be brought back the twenty or so blocks to the House. The tree was then decorated in the traditional TKE cherry, the doorways and edges of the downstairs common areas trimmed in garland, poinsettias, and of course mistletoe! Meanwhile the outside of the house was decked out in over 750 feet of Christmas Lights.

This just goes to remind everyone of just how far TKE goes to make everyone feel like there always at home, especially during that tough finals' season!



The Chapter House lit up for the Holidays!

WHERE ARE OUR GRADUATING SENIORS GOING?

FRATER MICHAEL CERUSSI '10

After graduation I am taking a semester off to prepare myself for the real world. I have a job lined up with Anheuser-Busch as a Global Management Trainee and am really excited for that. Growing up I never thought about working in the beer industry but as I was going through the recruitment process and got to know more and more about Anheuser-Busch and the industry I realized that it would be a fantastic industry to be involved with. The free beer doesn't hurt either. However, my position doesn't start until July so in the six months before I

start I plan on grabbing a local job, save some money, and travel to Europe and spend some time in the countries I haven't been able to visit yet like Germany. After just going to abroad to Italy last semester I want to experience more of what the world has to offer and grow even more before getting tied down to the responsibilities of a real job.

YITB,

Michael Cerussi #1041



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Said of Mike by Alex Morris, "I'll speak for my pledge class, but we really appreciate the fact that as an older brother you continue to remain active around the house and share your TKE wisdom. You're definitely a good role model and an example of why TKE is where it is today."

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FRATER FRED YIP '10

I'm postponing my actual graduation because my family in Alaska cannot make the trip down here to see me walk until possibly next fall. So as a result I'm still taking classes in the spring but more for fun than anything else. Once the spring semester is over I'll be heading back to continue fishing in Alaska. And yes, I do plan on fishing for a while. I've been doing it since I was 15 years old and it lets me maintain a steady income, and I'm closer to my family.

during the summer seasons and continue to live/work/experience California until the next big thing happens to me.

This would be particularly nice since I hate 9-5 jobs, do not want an office job, and am not interested in traveling. This eliminates a lot of career choices but I've managed to be completely happy with my life, while keeping everything in perspective. Not too many fishermen have degrees from Cal. I like to think that I'm pretty unique.

YITB,

Freddy Yip #1035



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Said of Freddy by Curtis Hendrickson, "I just want to say that despite you being the highest scroll in the house, you still are able to stay as active as you are and I appreciate that. Thanks for having such an impact on the younger guys and keep up that positive roll."

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NEWS FROM ALUMNI

Frater Anthony Wright '10

I've moved into a new apartment near Lake Merritt in Oakland and am working as a Hazard Mitigation Planner for the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Now that I've finally made it through the last of the bureaucratic loops I'll actually be able to do some good.

Yours in the Bond,

Anthony Wright #1043

Frater Aria Ghaffari '09

I'm at Georgetown for Med School and just won a three on three basketball tourney for charity, it was pretty cool since it was a Georgetown wide event. I also won the Med School beer pong tourney although that was just social thing.

YITB,

Aria Ghaffari #1007

Don't forget to share your news!

Do you have news? Let us know what going on with you!

Know someone who should be in the spotlight? Share it!

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