

#### Hello Alumni!

We hope this newsletter comes to you in good health and prosperity! It's hard to believe that we've put another semester behind us! Between the flurry of midterms, finals, projects, socials with other fraternities and sororities, philanthropy events, brotherhood events, and anything else I forgot to mention, these past four months have just flown by. It's been a great semester, but I think it's safe to say that we're all ready for summer break, which for many of us means internships and summer classes. As this newsletter takes a look back at this past semester, we hope that it reminds you of all the great memories you have here at the Beta Psi chapter. As we saw a new set of seniors graduate, we were given a chance to put things in perspective and gain a greater understanding of the larger tradition we are part of being Knights of Sigma Nu. While our time at Cal is short, the experiences we have here last a lifetime and connect us to over a century of brotherhood at our beloved fraternity. We wish all of you and your families a happy summer and hope to see you next semester at game days and our next alumni dinner!

Love, Truth, and Honor,

The Brothers of Sigma Nu - Beta Psi

## **ATTENTION ALUMNI!**

- 1) We are currently trying to expand our database, so if you have any information (names, e-mail, phone number, etc.) of brothers please send it to our alumni chair, Sean Wooldridge, at <a href="mailto:seanwooldridge@sbcglobal.net">seanwooldridge@sbcglobal.net</a>
- 2) We would love to hear about the great things you are up to and include it in future newsletters for all of us to see. If you have any news about yourself or other alumni you would like to share, please send them to our alumni chair, as well!



#### Meet Our Newest Brothers!



Carson O'Connell

Carson is currently a freshman hoping to study Business Administration and Media Studies. He's from Chico, California, and in high school he enjoyed playing on his school's football, wrestling, and lacrosse teams. He currently plays on the football team here at Cal!



John Ruxton

John is a freshman from San Francisco hoping to earn a degree in Business Administration and Public Policy. In High School he enjoyed being a part of the rowing team and working with his school's literary magazine. Here at Cal he works with the ASUC (our student government) while also being a member of the Cal Hurling team.



Ben Goldstein

Ben has lived his whole life in Austin, Texas. He is a freshman and currently intends to major in Computer Science and Business Administration. Ben participated in science bowl in high school and was an ardent rock climber as well — a hobby he keeps up with here at Cal.



# **ALUMNI DINNER**

We were honored to have such a great turnout at the end of rush for our alumni dinner! It was amazing to see so many familiar faces return to the house. We got to catch up with old friends, meet our new set of candidates (who are now brothers), chow down on some delicious lasagna, and of course, join together to sing "Fraternity Man!" It's always fun to show our alumni what's happening at Beta Psi chapter and to hear their stories from their days in the fraternity. Everyone had a great time, and we hope to see you all again next time!

\*\* Out next alumni dinner will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September. More information to come! We hope to see you there! \*\*



# New Brothers (Cont.)



Franklin Yin

Frank is currently a sophomore studying applied mathematics. He is originally from Bridgewater, New Jersey and is very involved with the Berkeley Investment Group. In his free time he also enjoys playing basketball.



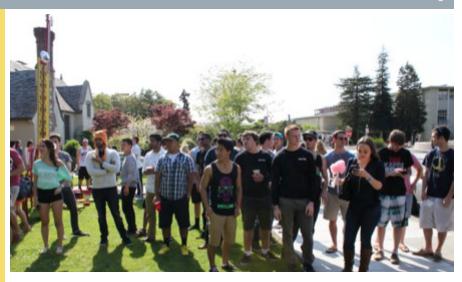
Franklin Hernandez

Franklin is a junior who just transferred to Cal from Santa Monica City College. After juggling school and work for the past two years he's very excited to see what Cal has to offer him!



Michael Stern

Michael is from LA and is currently a junior studying economics. He has a passion for magic and has even worked at the Magic Castle, which is a very prestigious venue in LA for magicians. Aside from magic he says he loves math, food, and music.



# CARNIVAL FOR THE CURE

On April 19<sup>th</sup> we had our first ever Carnival for the Cure for St. Jude Children's Hospital. We teamed up with TKE and Delta Delta Delta to co-host the event. The day was filled with

carnival games, cotton candy, performances by student groups like the Cal Band, and a raffle. Berkeley police officers even joined in on the



fun and volunteered to go into the dunk tank! All in all it was a great event, and we managed to raise over \$2,000 for cancer



research! We hope to throw more events like this in the future and possibly even make the carnival and annual event.



#### Alex Ibarra

Alex is currently a sophomore studying economics. While growing up in LA he worked with several non-profits, such as the YMCA and the California Endowment and hopes he can start his own non-profit organization for under-served communities. In his free time he enjoys playing intramural basketball, listening to music, and hiking.

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

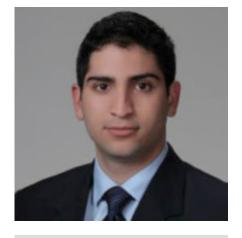
Every year it's tough to say goodbye to our seniors, but it's also exciting to think about the great things they are going to do in the future! Good luck to the class of 2014! We'll miss you!



#### **GEOFF SNOW**

Geoff will be working for Boeing in a two-year rotational business program called the Business Career Foundation Program in LA, gaining insight in various departments.

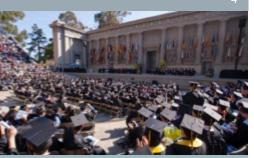
"I will miss the people and life long friends that I have made throughout my time at Sigma Nu. Fortunately, I will still be in CA and I hope to still see many of my brothers regularly. I cannot forget the memories and the amazing times that I have shared with all of these gentlemen. I relish in the thought of creating many more memories with these men in the future."



## CHRISTIAN TISCARENO

Christian will be starting off his career at Wells Fargo's Centralized Underwriting Group in their San Francisco Commercial Banking Division. He'll be a member of their Financial Analyst Program and will be responsible for analyzing middle-market companies with revenues in the \$20M - \$500M range.

"Looking back on my time here at Cal, I can only say that it has been a great journey, and I'm very grateful for the amazing individuals that have guided me and inspired me along the way. Though there is much I have to look forward to, the amazing brotherhood, the college atmosphere, and the fun times at 2710 Bancroft Way will all be missed."



**Graduating Brothers** 

Ashwin Aravind

Business Administration / Molecular and Cell Biology

Tyler Crouch

Mechanical Engineering

Jose Contreras

Political Science

Tony Jin

Theater

Nathan Miller

Physics / Astrophysics

Vadym Samoylov

Political Economy

Geoff Snow

**Business Administration** 

Christian Tiscareno

**Business Administration** 

Dasun Wang

Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

# SOME OTHER QUICK UPDATES . . .

### **Philanthropy**

Aside from the carnival, we have also participated in multiple other philanthropy events throughout the semester. For example, in March the house volunteered with the Berkeley Project, which works with the city of Berkeley's local organizations to help them with tasks such as public works projects and landscaping. We also try to attend as many charity events hosted by other houses on campus as we can.

#### Social

We continue to hold weekly exchanges with sororities, but we have also started cohosting events with other fraternities and sororities. We're excited for the new friendships that are going to develop from this and for becoming more active in the greater Greek community, here at Cal.

#### Brotherhood

As always, the brotherhood has been strong, and we're excited to have added seven new bothers to the house this semester (for a total of 26 new members this school year). From events like our Tahoe trip to just having fun at the house, it's been a fantastic semester, and we've made some great memories along the way.

#### **Executive Committee**

Our Executive Committee continues to do a great job at holding down the fort. Their main project this semester was updating the bi-laws of the chapter. They've spent the entire semester closely looking them to see what needs to be revised and added so that our bi-laws directly align with the current needs of the house. It's been a lot of hard work, but they've done a great job!



Top: Helping out at the Berkeley Project; Bottom: Just having some fun at the house

# HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!



Tahoe 2014