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Presidents' Welcome

by **Monica Chen and Anne Bozack**
Co-Presidents

Welcome back, everyone! We hope you had a great summer vacation and are ready to begin an exciting fall semester. This year promises many excellent opportunities for Golden Key members, and we strongly encourage you to take advantage of all the resources that Golden Key has to offer. From Honorary Member lectures to socials to academic and professional devel-

opment events, Golden Key has a variety of programs for you to choose from.

Additionally, our new point system for participation will now make it easier for members to achieve bronze, silver, and gold status. By achieving these levels, you will be recommended for scholarships and qualify for complimentary stoles and cords. Of the six \$125 scholarships that were given to members last semester, four had reached bronze or higher status. We hope

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GK Co-Presidents Monica Chen (left) and Anne Bozack (right)

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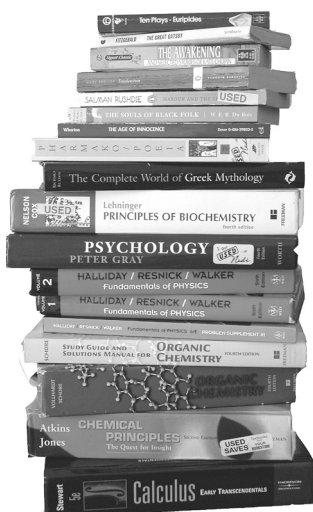
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Bettering the World, One Book at a Time

by **Shelly Bian**
Community Service Co-Chair

What is a dollar worth to you? It could be the value of your old book when you sell it back to the bookstore or it could be the first steps to success for an underprivileged child in Sri Lanka. This semester, Golden Key is working with Better World Books to support literacy programs throughout Southern Asia. Better World Books is an organization that collects books and sells or distributes them to support educa-

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>> **President:** *from front*

all members will strive to participate in as many events as possible!

Finally, this semester will be oriented around the theme "Steps for Success." Golden Key feels success cannot be solely achieved through academics, but must have an additional factor of community service integrated into it. We will thus be holding socks and shoe drives for the low income and homeless population in Berkeley at each general meeting in order to help us with these "steps." All donated items will go to Berkeley's Suitcase Clinic. We look forward to seeing you all at our general meetings and events, and welcome again to a fantastic year with Golden Key!

Points...Collect Them All!

As a Golden Key member, you are eligible for member discounts and all Golden Key events. Want more? By getting involved and earning points towards active membership, you can gain even more benefits!

Bronze: 40 pts, "eligible" for scholarships, awarded a certificate upon graduation

Silver: 80 pts and attended at least two different events, "recommended" for scholarship, awarded a honor cord upon graduation

Gold: 120 pts and attended at least three different events, "highly recommended for scholarship, awarded honor stole upon graduation

Points build up over the entire '06-'07 school year, so get started early!

General Meeting 5 pts

Flying or Tabling 5 pts/hr

Academic/Professional 10 pts

Community Service 10 pts

HM Lecture or Dinner 10 pts

Social 10 pts

Keynotes Article 10 pts

Sophomore Recognition 10 pts

Induction 10 pts

Short-Term Committee 10 pts

Long-Term Committee 20 pts

Honorary Members: Keys to Inspiration



GK members with HM Lecturer Ron Takaki, Professor of Ethnic Studies

by **Leslie Sheu**

Honorary Member Chair

You've helped Golden Key nominate some of UC Berkeley's most well-respected professors, faculty members, and leaders to become honorary members every year. But how do these honorary members give back to Golden Key? These HMs have traveled the very roads you are walking down now and can educate, motivate and inspire through honorary member lectures

and honorary member dinners.

Attending another lecture after a grueling day of classes might not sound like your cup of tea, but these 50 minutes won't be wasted. First, this isn't your average lecture. Honorary member lectures are special seminars where Berkeley's leading professors present topics they are most passionate about. Secondly, it's a great opportunity to meet a renowned professor and to learn something

new. And who knows? The lecture might even inspire you to delve into a different area of study or help you find your niche in your current one.

Honorary member dinners are another way you can meet and get to know one of your favorite professors (or one you've never had for a class, but have heard so much about). In addition, you are treated to free food at one of Berkeley's great local restaurants! With a small group of fellow GK members, you'll engage in a lively conversation over dinner with the HM and learn more about his/her interests in academia as well as his/her life outside of school.

As the Honorary Member Chair, I'm excited about the year ahead and what our honorary members will bring to Golden Key. Our first HM lecture is Monday, September 18th at 7pm in 210 Wheeler with Dr. Filippenko, Professor of Astronomy. This lecture is open to anyone and everyone, so I hope to see you all there!

Socialize with GK!

by Catherine Go

Social Chair

Welcome Golden Key Members to the new school year! My name is Catherine Go, and I am your Golden Key social chair. This year, I would like to implement programs that not only provide you with opportunities to meet each other, but also opportunities to help the community. Some fun socials to look out for in the near future are a campus beautification project, a poker tournament, a hike to the Big C and a sports day!

My goal is to bring Golden Key members together to create a unit as opposed as a group of individuals. And remember, these events are all free and all for you, so please don't hesitate to let me know what activities you would like to see happen. With your enthusiasm and open minds, I know that together we can make this the best Golden Key year yet!



GK members have some fun under the sun during Ultimate Frisbee Day

>> *Better World Books: from front*

tional initiatives around the world. Since their inception, Better World Books have raised over half a million dollars in profits, all of which have gone directly to their non-profit literacy partners.

Most of their books come from book drives on college campuses like ours.

The Berkeley chapter of Golden Key has elected to support the Room to Read program in support of literacy in South Asia including Cambodia, India, Nepal, Laos, Vietnam and Sri Lanka. Very often, education is not free so families can only afford to send boys to school. 91% of girls attend primary school, but only 7% continue their education by the time they reach high school. Room to Read aims to help strengthen the general educational system as well as provide extra help for young women. Books collected toward this end are shipped to the Better World Books headquarters where they are sold online. All of the profits are then used to support local publishing efforts, fund scholarships for young girls and build schools, libraries, computer and language facilities. Room to Read has already had a significant impact since its start in 2000. They have built over 85 language and computer labs, 197 schools, 2500 libraries, placed over 1750 girls on long-term scholarships, printed 600,000 children's books and do-

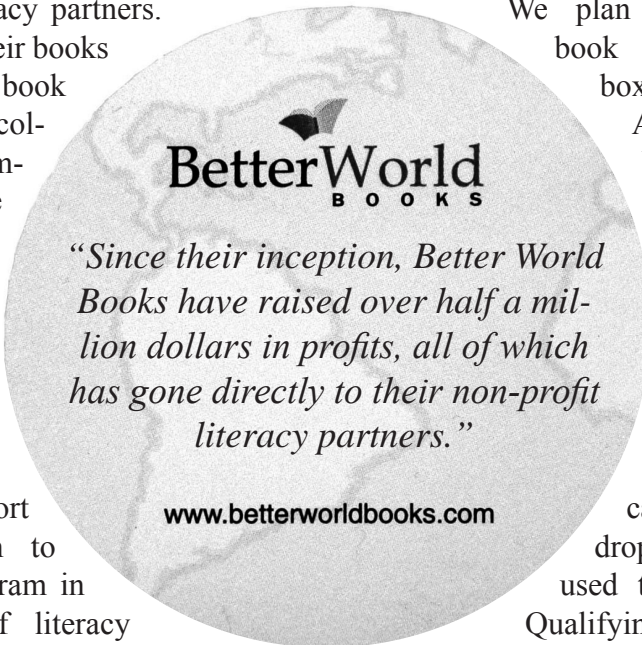
nated nearly 1 million books in the last 6 years.

With the help of Golden Key volunteers, we can contribute to this exciting literacy effort.

We plan establish book collection boxes in the A S U C, Ned's, and other surrounding bookstores where students can easily drop off their used textbooks.

Qualifying books include college level material such as textbooks, workbooks, test prep books (AP included) and novels. With newer editions of textbooks coming out every other year nowadays, textbooks lose their value quickly. An almost worthless book for a college student can go a long way to support a child who can barely find a book to read.

Since this is a new project for the Berkeley chapter, we are looking for interested members to help contact bookstores, raise awareness and coordinate the placement and collection of boxes. If you have a few hours to spare and want to help out a worthy cause, please contact me, Shelly Bian, at sbian@berkeley.edu. If your schedule is already booked up, look around in a few weeks for collection boxes and drop off those cumbersome textbooks that are just collecting dust on your bookshelf!



Upcoming Events

Get started on your active membership by coming to these great events!

GRE Workshop with Kaplan
 Wednesday, September 13
 6pm, Location to be announced

Honorary Member Lecture with Professor Filippenko
 Monday, September 18
 7pm, 210 Wheeler

2nd General Meeting
 Wednesday, September 20
 6pm, Location to be announced

3rd General Meeting
 Wednesday, October 4
 6pm, Location to be announced

Resume Workshop with Target
 Thursday, October 5
 6pm, Location to be announced

Workshops to Success

by **Radhika Reddy**

Academic and Professional Development Chair

Ready for a razzle-dazzling year at Golden Key? As your Academic and Professional Development Chair, I am committed to bring you informative workshops tailored to meet your goals whether it is medical school, law school, graduate school or the workforce.

Our first A/P event is a GRE Workshop on Wednesday, September 13th for those interested in graduate school. Come learn about the recent changes and the latest tips to help you OWN this test! In addition, we also organized a Resume Building Workshop with Target representatives on October 3rd. This is a workshop we ALL can benefit from, regardless of majors or career aspirations!

Attending these workshops is a great way to learn tips from pro-

fessional presenters, meet other awesome and motivated Golden Key members, and win cool prizes such as career-related books! With many of you considering serious careers upon graduation, attending these fun workshops can only be helpful. You have nothing to lose, and all to gain. "I think AP events are one of the best resources that GK has to offer," explains co-president Monica Chen, "Last year, I learned a great deal from GRE Info Night. Not only did the speaker discuss new changes to the GRE, but he also talked about ways to tackle the test and the grad school admission process. Overall, it was definitely a rewarding and worthwhile experience." Still not convinced? Come check out these workshops for yourself!

Golden Key Crossword

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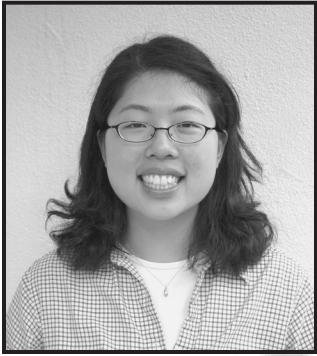
- See 8 across
- GK color
- _____ a Difference Day
- GK international publication
- With 1 across, location of GK headquarters
- Sophmore Recognition month
- A GK event to meet other members

Down

- Corporate sponser and insurance agency
- Corporate sponser and bank, for short
- Corporate sponser and test prep help
- First country with a GK chapter
- Berkeley chapter social chair, for short
- Neighboring country with GK
- Association that GK is part of

(Hint: Check out the international and chapter websites)

Submit your completed crossword and your email to Keynotes Editor Linda Zhu by the end of the 2nd General Meeting (Wednesday, September 20th) to be entered in a raffle for a GK prize!



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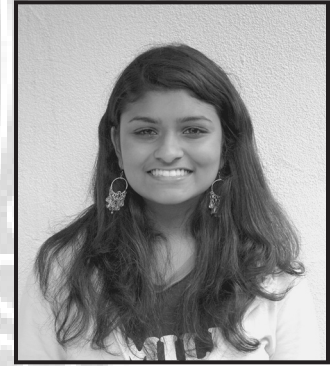
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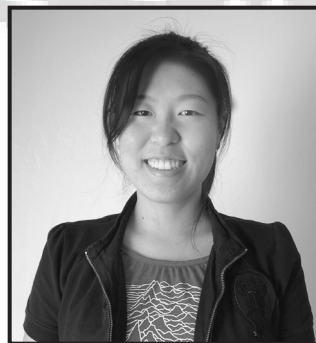
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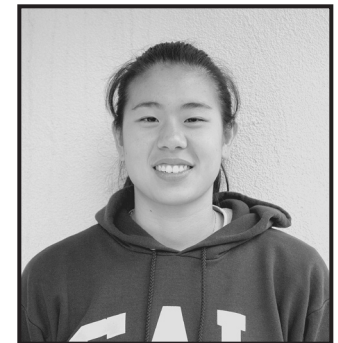
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