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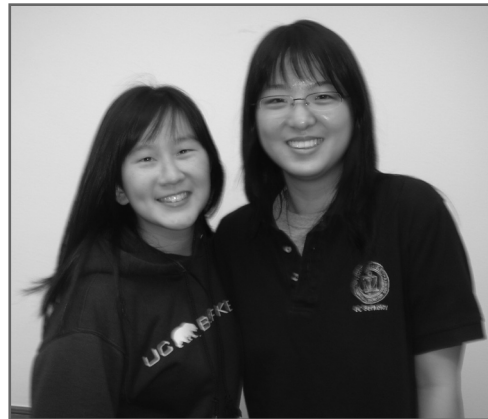
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Presidents' Update

By Leslie Sheu and Cathy Hwang
Co-Presidents

Dear GKers, welcome back to school! First (and most importantly), Cathy and I want to thank you for mak-



*Spring 2008 Co-Presidents
Leslie Sheu and Cathy Hwang*

ing last semester so great – we loved meeting so many new (and returning) members at all of our amazing events! We hope that this semester will be just as exciting! Please read through this issue of Keynotes to find out more about the activities the officer team has planned for this semester (you can also check out what's in store by visiting the calendar on our website).

For those of you who are somewhat new to Golden Key, now is a great time to get involved, as spring is the time during which we select new officers, award scholarships, and give out graduation cords and stoles to our most active members! Whether it's by coming out to our activities or joining a com-
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GK Launches New HS Outreach Program

By Cecilia Tong
*Community Service
Chair*

To continue GK's mission to give back to the community, Golden Key International Honour Society is reaching out to high school students this semester! I am happy to announce that we

will be launching a new outreach program which will provide mentorship for high school juniors and seniors this February. Each high school mentee will be paired up with a Golden Key member who best fits his/her needs and interests. Golden Key mentors

will be responsible for helping their mentors in their academic endeavors by providing advice via e-mail and also by meeting with their mentees from time to time to help the high school students gain valuable information that will lead
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Golden Key members helping the community at the Jack O' Lantern Jamboree in Children's Fairyland in Oakland on Make a Difference Day

>> *Presidents: from front*

mittee, I'm sure that you will find yourself warmly welcomed into Golden Key.

Aside from getting to know one another through our various events, we also encourage you to donate used textbooks (like that old o-chem textbook on your shelf), prep books (remember the book you used for your GRE last semester?), or novels to the Better World Books drive, where all proceeds will go toward literacy projects in Africa.

So what are you waiting for? Dive into the rest of this issue of Key-notes, and find out how you can become more involved this semester!

Golden Key Book Drive

What?

College-level textbooks, prep books, fiction and nonfiction novels

Where?

Book collection boxes are located in the Student Learning Center

When?

All semester long!

Why?

Earn points and help better the world, one book at a time!

So, go find those old textbooks and novels and donate them now!

Honoring Our Honorary Members

By **Derrick Knapik**
Honorary Member Chair

We are hoping that Golden Key's HM Events for the new spring semester will be just as successful and exciting as they were last semester. At our HM lectures last semester, we filled up entire rooms to listen to and engage in discussions pertaining to issues concerning a wide range of topics from political opinions to ways in which the brain and one's consciousness are intimately connected.

The spring semester is already looking extremely promising with Professor Marian Diamond scheduled to speak on March 19th and Professor Caroline Kane set to give a talk on April 9th, along with another HM dinner with Professor Zook on March 6th!

Moreover, our HM nominations are up coming, and this honor is something that professors look forward to every year. Is there someone on campus that has made an impact on your education to such a degree that

you would like to recognize them by making them honorary Golden Key members? If so, keep those professors in mind and come to our first general meeting where the Golden Key officers will be asking you to nominate your most inspiring professors to become candidates for this prestigious award. We will select the candidates with the most nominations and conduct a second round of nominations at the second general meeting in early March. The three professors who receive the most nominations will be inducted into the Golden Key family at our annual Induction Ceremony on March 16th.

Just a reminder, the HM lectures are open to anyone, so brings your friends to these events! The HM dinner, on the other hand, is only open to Golden Key members, and the officer team will be asking members to RSVP for the dinner when the date is set. We look forward to seeing you at all of our awesome HM events this semester!

Earn Points While Having Fun!

As a Golden Key member, you are eligible for member discounts and can attend all Golden Key sponsored events. Want more? Collect points by coming to general meetings and coming to our events throughout the semester! Active members are recommended to apply for chapter and national scholarships and receive special recognition upon graduation.

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 ‘07-’08 school year!

General Meeting 5 pts

Flyering 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

Golden Key Fundraises at San Francisco International Triathlon, Donates Money to Lymphoma & Leukemia Society

By **Cathy Hwang**
Co-President

Bright and early at 5:45 a.m., Golden Key members and its friends gathered at Barrows Parking Lot for an all-day community service event planned by the Fundraising Committee and the Community Service Chair. More than 30 volunteers from Berkeley came together to help out at the San Francisco Triathlon on Saturday, November 10th 2007 at Treasure Island. This event was not only a fundraising opportunity for The Lymphoma & Leukemia Society, but also a qualifying race for selecting athletes for the 2008

Beijing Summer Olympics.

The volunteers performed various tasks in order to facilitate the race. These duties included guiding the athletes through the transition areas, managing course exits, and recording finishing times.

Through this event, the UC Berkeley Chapter of Golden Key was able to raise \$400, of which \$200 will be donated to The Lymphoma & Leukemia Society. The rest of the money will be used to put on more member activities for the Spring semester. Special thanks to Noah’s Bagel on Telegraph Avenue for donating and providing bagels to all of the volunteers.

>> **Outreach:** *from front*

them on the path toward becoming successful college students. Mentees will be invited to attend a one-day shadowing experience at UC Berkeley which will include a time for a student panel of diverse Berkeley students who will be able to answer and direct questions that the high school students may have.

The program’s success is entirely dependent upon the enthusiasm and dedication of our members. Members can apply on a long-term or short-term commitment capacity.

I highly encourage all members to apply. For those who are interested, there is a brief form on our website for you to fill out and return to gkmentor@gmail.com. We hope that each of you will consider taking part in this amazing opportunity to help out the future generation of college students! We look forward to hearing from you!



GK members having fun while volunteering at the SF Triathlon

Upcoming Events

Get ready for some more awesome GK events!

SF Ocean Beach Clean Up
9am, Sunday, Feb. 24th
Meet at Barrows Parking Lot

How to Land a Summer Internship
6pm, Wednesday, Feb. 27th
175 Barrows

Second General Meeting
6pm, Wednesday, March 5th
175 Barrows

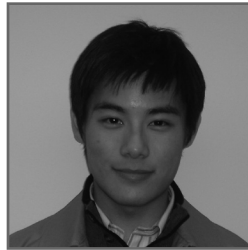
Annual New Member Induction Ceremony
2pm, Sunday, March 16th
2040 VLSB

Honorary Member Lecture
6pm, Wednesday, March 19th
175 Barrows

Honorary Member Lecture
6pm, Wednesday, April 9th
175 Barrows

We look forward to seeing all of you at these amazing events!

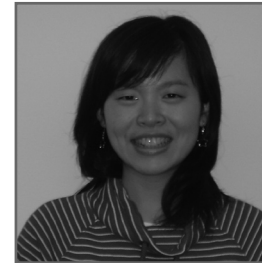
Meet the New Additions to GK's Spring 2008 Officer Team!



Hello! I am Kenneth Tsang, Golden Key's new Treasurer for the Spring 2008 semester. I am a second year student majoring in business administration, political science, and psychology. I am from Fremont here in the San Francisco Bay Area, so I have the opportunity to visit home often. Outside of Golden Key, I also enjoy fencing with the club here at UC Berkeley and just simply relaxing with friends. I also have an identical twin (really!) whom you might also see around campus, so hopefully you won't get too confused when you see me.

As Treasurer, I will be working with the other officers to make sure the budget allows them to plan and put on fun and exciting events for everyone. While most of my work will be behind the scenes, I will still hopefully be able to meet many of you and make new friends. I'm glad for the opportunity to help the other

officers in their work and I look forward to a wonderful semester with everyone in Golden Key!



Hello everyone! I'm Patricia Chiu, the new Public Relations Chair for the semester! I'm in my third year, majoring in chemical biology. I came from the LA area, from a city called Arcadia. One thing that I love to do is to meet new friends! If you see me around, come by to say 'Hi!' I'm very happy to have this opportunity to serve my fellow GK members. I also hope that I will get to know a lot of you! Want to know more about me? Join me in the Public Relations Committee! The goal of this committee is to publicize Golden Key and its amazing events! We will be having fun while we design flyers, table on Sproul, and chalk in classrooms. Hope to see you!

Support Golden Key, and Show Off Your GK Pride!



Buy a Golden Key polo shirt today!

\$15.00 Sizes: S, M 100% cotton

Custom embroidering with Golden Key logo and "UC Berkeley"

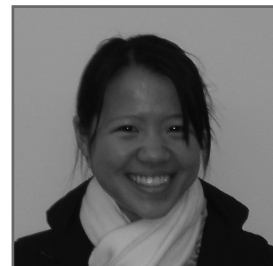
All proceeds go back to our GK chapter to put on more events for YOU!

Shirts are available at all events. Buy one today!

A Few Words from the Officers

Ever wonder what other benefits Golden Key has to offer besides academic recognition and fancy discounts? We asked a few of our officers about their experiences in Golden Key and what they feel the organization has done for them. Here's what they had to say...

“Golden Key has given me the opportunity to meet people from many disciplines far different from my own science concentration, broadening my circle of friends and giving me a life outside of my pre-med world. At first glance, the multitude of discounts offered by GK render the induction fee a minor investment, but the perks extend beyond the superficial. There is a tremendous intangible benefit as well - the benefit of knowing that you have made a difference in someone's life. The events hosted by GK, such as volunteering at the SF Triathlon or Walking for Alzheimer's, have not only benefited the community, but have also inspired me to become a more active community member and to devote my time to help worthy causes.”



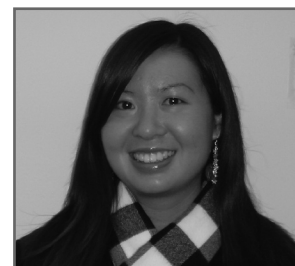
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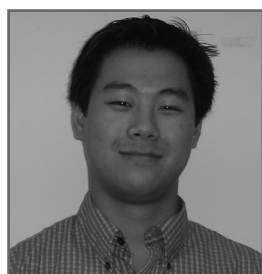
Cecilia Tong

“Golden Key prepares you for the life after college. All of the students who get invited to this honour society are academically successful but a high GPA only means so much in the real world. I think Golden Key stands out as being one of the few organizations on campus to have a diverse group of members. As a Biology major, it was great to interact with other Political science, Psychology, Economic, Business Administration, Southeast Asian Studies and History majors. This network has allowed me to gain a sense of social awareness. Golden Key forces me to apply myself out of the classroom setting. As an officer, I was given the resources necessary to organize and participate in meaningful events. These include the Memory Walk for the Alzheimer's Association, Mentorship Programs for incoming freshmen and high school students, Save The Bay, and the San Francisco Triathlon for the Lymphoma & Leukemia Society.”

“Golden Key, as an organization, stands out as one in which highly motivated students can come together to socialize, serve the community, and develop their leadership potential together. Becoming a member of Golden Key has given me the opportunity to meet and become friends with students from all different majors and backgrounds while taking part in the many fun and memorable events that Golden Key has to offer. Working with the awesome officer team this year has proved to be another rewarding aspect of joining Golden Key. From hiking to the Big C to learning about the connection between the brain and consciousness, Golden Key is an organization that has something to offer everyone.”



Michelle Louie



Leo Li

“Golden Key is a wonderful organization which has provided me with plenty of opportunities in leadership and academic development in the past. It has created a massive network base for me here at the UC Berkeley chapter where you can meet many other bright individuals from various fields of study. In the past, Golden Key has organized various activities and events, including Honorary Member lectures, community service events around the Bay Area, and many other leadership or career development workshops.”