Welcoming the Spring Semester

By Andrew Yew, Co-President

Welcome back to Cal! We at Golden Key are very excited to welcome in the new semester and the New Year with all of you. We had a ton of fun getting to know members last semester through our Frisbee and ice cream socials as well as learning interesting things about the brain and about how a surfer became a scholar from Professor Presti and Professor Takaki respectively. Last semester, we also worked together to raise over 450 dollars for the fight against breast cancer by participating in the American Cancer Society’s Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk on Make a Difference Day. I would like to personally thank all the members who participated in our events because you guys help make all this happen with your support and enthusiasm.

In the upcoming semester we would like to continue to encourage all those who participated to continue doing so and to welcome others to start joining in. We already started the year off with a pizza social following our first general meeting as well as an interview workshop put on by our sponsors at the Princeton Review. We have many more events planned, including more opportunities to serve the community as well as three more upcoming Honorary Member lectures from popular Berkeley professors such as Prof. Filippenko, Prof. Hinshaw, and Prof. Jain. This is already shaping up to be a great semester and I hope to see you all

Meet Advisor Polly Pagenhart

By Anne Bozack, KeyNotes Editor

This year the UC Berkeley chapter is happy to welcome a new face to the Golden Key family, Advisor Polly Pagenhart. As the undergraduate course facilitator, Polly already offers guidance and support to students and GK members but also a smiling face ready to listen to any concerns.

Although new to Golden Key, Polly has a long history of involvement on campus. A Bay-Area native, she attended UC Berkeley as an undergraduate majoring in English and minoring in Ethnic Studies. On campus she combined her desire to help others and love for writing as an English tutor. Polly continued her education at the University of Minnesota to earn a Master’s degree in American Studies before returning to work at UC Berkeley in 1997. She now hails from the Student Learning Center, organizing DeCals and providing training in course design and
Did You Know?

In addition to scholarships awarded by the Berkeley chapter, Golden Key International offers scholarship opportunities exclusively for members. You could be one of the 700 recipients to whom over $400,000 are awarded. The following deadlines are approaching quickly:

**Ford Motor Company Business and Leadership or Engineering and Leadership Scholarships—March 1**

**Business Achievement Awards—March 1**

**Education Achievement Awards—March 1**

**Engineering/Technology Achievement Awards—March 1**

**Literary Achievement Awards—April 1**

**Study Abroad Scholarships—April 1**

For more information about these and other scholarships visit www.goldenkey.org.

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Golden Opportunities with Golden Key

By Diane Velasco, Public Relations Chair

Being a member of a prestigious international honors society sure feels great, but do you know what is even better? Being an involved and active member. By participating in local chapter activities and helping out with committees, you can get much more out of your membership with Golden Key.

The easiest way to be involved is to simply attend events. We hold general meetings every other week and put on various events throughout the semester, including Academic and Professional Development workshops, Honorary Member lectures and dinners, long or short-term community service opportunities, and socials. We also have a committee for publicity and opportunities to write for the newsletter, so you can contribute by spreading awareness of Golden Key or writing an interesting article of your choice.

By attending events and joining committees, you will also receive points that accumulate over the semester and determine your member status within the local chapter. Bronze status is rewarded with either a certificate or pin (yet to be determined), Silver status receives a graduation cord, and Gold status receives a lovely Golden Key graduation stole.

There are many opportunities to be an active member in Golden Key, and it certainly makes the membership worth it. Also, visit www.goldenkey.org to learn about opportunities offered at the international level. Be involved, make friends,

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The Next Generation of Golden Key

By Catherine Ho, Co-President

On March 18, 2006, Golden Key’s UC Berkeley chapter will likely double its membership with an incoming class of new members. How is that, you ask? Our annual Induction Ceremony officially initiates new members into the society every spring. Inductees represent the top tier of Berkeley students, juniors and seniors qualifying with a 3.65 GPA or higher.

The Induction Ceremony’s program will include recognition of each of the new members with certificates, information about how to take advantage of Golden Key membership, a keynote speech from Vice Chancellor Richard Black, and a reception with refreshments. Inductees may bring their family and friends.

In the weeks following the Induction Ceremony, we will award chapter scholarships and transition new leadership into next year’s officer positions. Furthermore, we will have a host of events that both old and new members can attend to get acquainted with each other and with Golden Key. New members may also accumulate points to get Gold, Silver, or Bronze member status.

Let us know if you would like to help out at the Induction Ceremony. If you are already a member and never picked up your certificate or know a friend who is eligible and would like to join Golden Key, we can help you with that as well. Just contact the officers at goldenkey@berkeley.edu.
Help Select the Next Honorary Members

By Cindy Chai, Honorary Member Chair

If you have been an active Golden Key member, you have probably attended one of our many Honorary Member events. Our Honorary Members include Professor Alex Filippenko of the Astronomy department, Professor David Presti of the MCB department, Professor Hinshaw of the Psychology department, Professor George Cluff of the Haas School of Business, and many other outstanding professors and community leaders. They became Golden Key Honorary Members because Golden Key student members (like YOU!) nominated and voted for them.

The Honorary Member election occurs once a year and this year it is just around the corner! Please send me, your friendly Honorary Member Chair (cindycn@berkeley.edu) the name and email of the professor or community leader who you think is worthy of the title “Golden Key Honorary Member.” Then, come to our Honorary Member Election during our general meeting at 6pm on Wednesday, February 22nd to speak on behalf of your choice and vote! Typically, three Honorary Members are inducted each year. Once the Honorary Members are inducted, they will be invited to participate in Honorary Member seminars or Honorary Member dinners where you will get to enjoy their company! So don’t hesitate to make your voice count!

What: Honorary Member Election, put your favorite professor’s name on the ballot!

When: 6pm, Wednesday, February 22nd.

What to do: Send me (cindycn@berkeley.edu) the name and email of your nominee by Tuesday, February 21st, and come to the Honorary Member Election to speak on behalf of your choice and vote!

What you will get: Pride of being an active Golden Key member (and of course, valuable events with great Honorary Members!)

Help Select the Next Honorary Members

Not only does Golden Key recognize Honorary Members throughout campus, but also many known internationally for their achievements and contributions. Some include:

William J. Clinton
Former US President

Bill Cosby
Entertainer

Elizabeth Dole
Former President, American Red Cross

Edward James Olmos
Actor and Producer

General Colin L. Powell (RET)
US Secretary of State

Ronald W. Reagan
Former US President

Frederick W. Smith
Founder and CEO, FedEx

Elie Wiesel
Nobel Laureate and Author

Adding Up Points

Are you wondering just how many points you earn for attending a general meeting or tabling? Here’s your answer:

General Meeting: 5 points

Flyering or Tabling: 5 points/hour

Academic/Professional Development Event: 10 points

Community Service: 10 points

Honorary Member Lecture or Dinner: 10 points

Social: 10 points

Writing an article for KeyNotes: 10 points

Writing an article for Concepts magazine: 15 points

Public Relations Committee Involvement: 20 points

International or Regional Conference: 20 points

If you received Bronze (20 points), Silver (40 points), or Gold (60 points) status last semester, simply earn the same number of points to maintain your status. If, however, you were inactive in the fall, it is not too late. Just earn 40 points for Bronze or 80 points for Silver status. All active members are eligible for chapter scholarships. Additional recognition includes a Golden Key graduation stole for Gold members, a graduation cord for Silver members, and a certificate of pin for Bronze members. If you have any questions about your membership status or the points system, just contact your Public Relations Chair Diane (dee7984@berkeley.edu).

Quiz Question

On what date was the UC Berkeley Golden Key chapter chartered?

E-mail your answer to KeyNotes editor Anne Bozack (annekb@berkeley.edu) by Tuesday, February 21st. Members submitting correct answers will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a GK prize.

(Hint: Check out the international or chapter websites.)
Advisor

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facilitation for undergraduates.

When she is not busy on campus, Polly is even busier caring for her 16-month-old daughter, dog, and cat. She also enjoys gardening and writing non-fiction essays.

As the new Golden Key campus advisor, Polly looks forward to becoming an integral part of the UC Berkeley chapter. She plans on actively collaborating with officers and members to plan events and network with other honors groups on campus. In addition to these advisor roles, Polly will help communicate with the international Golden Key office and provide continuity for chapter leadership.

While organizing logistics is the technical duty of advisor, Polly is more excited about helping members on a personal basis. She encourages members to develop their leadership experience by becoming involved in student-initiated classes. She aims to be a “friendly presence” on campus to help GK members with any struggles of university life ranging from administrative concerns to graduate school applications. The next time you are in the Student Learning Center, stop by room 123 and meet Polly Pagenhart!

The Best is Yet to Come....

This semester offers a variety of activities to GK members. Here’s a look at what is planned:

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General meetings are held at 6 PM in 247 Dwinelle. Check your email or www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~goldkey for details and updates on additional events.

Thank You and Good-bye from our LT Community Service Chair

Angela Smith has served as our Long-Term Community Service Chair since Spring 2005. She leaves her post with experience and warm memories.

I really do not know what to say. How would you say goodbye? If someone asked me to describe my experience as a UC Berkeley Golden Key officer -- what would I say? I’ll start here...

Being a part of Golden Key has given me the opportunity to share a wonderful experience with the most awesome group of people on the UC campus: Not only are they the top 15% academic students on campus, they are true Leaders. I want to personally thank all of you, GK Officers and Members. Good job! Congratulations, once again, for the Gold Status Chapter Achievement for the outstanding dedication to Golden Key - this type of dedication leads to successful achievements. Good luck to all! And, for the new members and the new LT Community Service Officer - continue the legacy GK holds in connecting with the community....continue old projects and create new ones....Enjoy!

Best Wishes,

Angela Smith
Long-Term Community Service Chair
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