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# ABSA INFORMER 2010 LETTER FROM THE EDITORS



### Dear ABSA,

We hope everyone had a great start to a new school year! We are looking forward to a new and exciting year working as the Informer Editors. If you have not gotten to know us already, our names are Kyra Gallion, Helen Lee, and Eric Zhang. In the past few weeks, we have been collecting articles and shout outs, sifting through pictures and biographies, and working with limited meeting times and busy schedules -putting together the Informer was frustrating at times, but it was quite a rewarding experience.

We hope you enjoy our first edition, incorporating the theme for ABSA this year: Dream Bigger. We have included some new items and old items that old members have already seen. Also, don't forget to read through the shout-outs and include some of your own in our next issue! Look forward to many upcoming items and remember to shoot for the stars this year as ABSA "dreams bigger." Good luck on another fabulous school year!

Best,

Kyra, Helen, and Eric

ABSA INFORMER 2010

### PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Dear new/old/prospective members, alumni, and valued sponsors:

Welcome to the 2010-2011 academic year with the Asian Business Students Association (ABSA) here at the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas at Austin!

I'm thrilled to serve as your President for this year and I'm pumped for what we can accomplish together. Under the banner of "DREAM BIGGER", I'm excited to see what this year has to offer! Last year, we were named the "Most Outstanding Organization" at McCombs and I'm committed to continuing and bettering our proven track record of success.

Part of what makes ABSA so great is the vast amount of opportunities we have to offer our members. Whether it's a leadership position as an officer or a director, an internship through our relationships with leading companies, and/or a mentor through our alumni network or older members, ABSA offers numerous advantages that give you a boost up in your professional career. Make use of all these wonderful resources at your fingertips.

More importantly, ABSA will be the home away from home where you cultivate flourishing friendships that will last far beyond just your short time here at UT. Through our various socials, family events, volunteering, company field trips, and other events, you will develop close ties with other amazing members.

But ABSA is a lot more than just professional development and a springboard for your fledgling career. It's more than just a loose collection of mutual acquaintances that like to attend events together. ABSA is a vibrant community bonded together through life-long friendships, supported by our three pillars of professional, social, & philanthropic, and motivated by a common passion to make a positive difference on this world one step at a time. For this reason, I strongly encourage everyone to get involved in all of ABSA, not just one single aspect. ABSA has so much to offer in so many different areas, so why limit yourself? Go ahead and DREAM BIGGER!

To our sponsors, I would like to extend our gratitude for your generous support of ABSA. Your continued involvement with our organization has helped us sustain our professional, social, and philanthropic efforts year after year. Thank you for the support you have given us, and I hope to continue developing strong partnerships with ABSA.

On behalf of the officer panel, we are honored to serve you this upcoming year. Our goal as a panel is to create an open and inviting atmosphere that fosters member involvement and development. We will be working hard to achieve that goal and I know we're in for another fantastic year.

Best regards,

Henry J. Shi ABSA President 2010-2011



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### **Henry Shi**

President

Hometown: Houston, TX Major: BHP/MPA Year: 3rd

If you could have any wish, what would it be? (You can't wish for more wishes!)

Currently, it would be to have a six-pack and be able to dunk.

What's the biggest personal change you have ever made?

Err... good question. Get a girlfriend, I guess?

Where do you go for advice? Mom and dad!



### **Karen Shih**

Executive VP

Hometown: Sugar Land, TX Major: Finance Year: 4th

If you could have any wish, what would it be? (You can't wish for more wishes!)

I'd wish for all my loved ones to be happy and healthy.

What's the biggest personal change you have ever made?

I stopped being a bully after the 3rd grade. I'm really nice now!

Where do you go for advice?

I can always count on my best friends to look out for me. They always tell me the truth as it is.

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### **Grace Ko**

Professional VP

Hometown: Round Rock, TX Major: BHP/MPA Year: 3rd

### If you could have any wish, what would it be? (You can't wish for more wishes!)

At the moment, I would wish for a fall break because I just found out that Rice has one. We get spring break, summer break, and winter break... how can they forget about fall?!

### What's the biggest personal change you have ever made?

I moved from California to Texas my freshman year of high school. It was difficult for me to leave my family and best friends behind and start anew at a completely new place. But I'm glad I'm here now!

### Where do you go for advice?

My family and friends.

### **Grace Kim**

Internal VP

Hometown: Houston, TX Major: BHP/Finance/Spanish Year: 3rd

### If you could have any wish, what would it be? (You can't wish for more wishes!)

I wish I could eat whatever I wanted without it catching up to me.

### What's the biggest personal change you have ever made?

Studying abroad in Spain and all the changes that came with that.

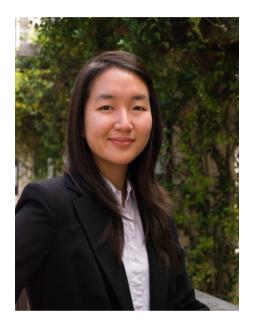
### Where do you go for advice?

Friends, older brother, parents (not necessarily in that order).





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### **Diana Meng**

External VP

Hometown: Plano, TX Major: BHP/MPA Year: 3rd

### If you could have any wish, what would it be? (You can't wish for more wishes!)

My wish for everyone would be to have more time in our lives to do the things we love.

### What's the biggest personal change you have ever made?

When I was in 3rd grade, my family and I moved from Vancouver, Canada to Harbin, China, and then to Forth Worth, Texas, all within one year. It was definitely a rough year for us, but I was never more thankful in my life for such a supportive, loving family.

### Where do you go for advice?

My lovely parents, sister, and friends -- they've got my back.



### **Sondra Batbold**

Administrative VP

Hometown: Somerset, NJ Major: Accounting Year: 2nd

### If you could have any wish, what would it be? (You can't wish for more wishes!)

I wish to live knowing that I am happy and that I have leamed and grown from whatever life has brought my way.

### What's the biggest personal change you have ever made?

There are too many psychological changes so I'll just stick to the physical one: I used to be pretty chub chub in 6th grade (will provide pictures for proof).

### Where do you go for advice?

My parents, my sisters, and my friends (depending on the nature of the problem).

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### Ka-Wai To

Academic VP

Hometown: Round Rock, TX/Shanghai, China/Hong Kong

Major: BHP/Finance

Year: 2nd

If you could have any wish, what would it be? (You can't wish for more wishes!)

I would wish for my family to be successful, happy, and worry-free.

What's the biggest personal change you have ever

Moving to and living in Shanghai for high school.

Where do you go for advice?

My friends, mentors; pretty much anyone I can find.



### **Hyungoo Kang** Financial VP

Hometown: Irving, TX Major: MIS Year: 3rd

If you could have any wish, what would it be? (You can't wish for more wishes!)

I'd wish to be a great parents like my mom and dad.

What's the biggest personal change you have ever made?

Being a Korean to becoming an American (still going through the process).

Where do you go for advice? My brother.



### 2010 DIRECTORS

### **EXECUTIVE**



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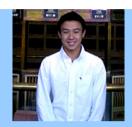
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### **Vincent Nguyen**

Corporate Relations Director

What made you choose to join ABSA?

To start out, I didn't know many asians and I wanted to make some new friends, so being the largest group on campus it seemed the perfect fit. After finding out what ABSA was all about, I jumped in with both feet and wanted to gain some profesional experience within ABSA.

What made you apply for the position of Corporate Relations Director?

I see myself as a well-spoken person, so being a laison between ABSA and companies was an ideal choice, especially when I am very interested in gaining experience through the professional aspect of ABSA.

If you were to choose a Disney movie character, who would you be and why?

I would be Chip from Chip 'n Dales, as he tends to be serious and with a strong sense of responsibility; while being somewhat domineering he can also loosen up from time to time and have fun. Plus, he's loosley based on Indiana Jones.

If you were to choose one fruit or vegetable to describe yourself, what would you choose and why?

I'd be an orange, as they're bright, sweet and usually starts everybody's day right in a glass.

# GIN GENERAL MILLS

### Starting the New Year with General Mills

By Eugene Hsiao

ABSA members know when ABSA season officially begins when they are welcomed by boxes of cereal, fruit by the foot, gushers, and other goodies from General Mills. As tradition follows, General Mills has been attending ABSA's first general meetings for quite some time. The room that evening was so jam-packed that there were barely any empty seats at all. It was like a giant sardine can full of ABSA members!

It is always refreshing to hear Curt Curtis speak at our first general meeting. Along with his great enthusiasm, Curt always brings an abundant amount of delicious treats for us. He spent some time speaking to us about the internship program that General Mills offers at their corporate headquarters located in Minnesota. Moving along, former ABSA Internal Vice President Alyssa Kit spoke to us about her experience and growth at General Mills. She walked us through her progression at the company and shared with us some of her most memorable moments at General Mills while in ABSA. To wrap everything up, UT's current General Mills Campus Ambassador Jennifer Rapp told us about the Campus Ambassador program that General Mills offers here at UT.

Many of us learned random facts about General Mills that night. Many of us learned about the different opportunities that General Mills has to offer. Lastly, and perhaps most importantly, many of us left the meeting stocked up with our breakfast goodies and snacks.







### MEMEBER OF THE MONTH



### **ERIC TSANG**

What made you join ABSA?

I joined ABSA to make new friends and get to know more people in the business school. I also joined to stick it on my resume because I thought it would help me transfer into BHP, and I think it helped!

What is your favorite part of ABSA?

EOS because that means the semester is over!

If you were to choose a Disney movie character, who would you be and why?

The Hyenas in Lion King because I think everything is funny.

If you were to choose one fruit or vegetable to describe yourself, what would you choose and why?

I would be Pinkberry because I love froyo!



### On Target

By Lee Wang

On Thursday September 16th, one of our favorite retailers finally returned to ABSA and they were definitely kept on their toes! Target is the second largest discount retailer in the United States and being one of ABSA's biggest sponsors, it has a huge presence in the McCombs School of Business.

There were three representatives that came to talk with us: Chris Spencer, Abby, and David Wang. Chris has been coming out to ABSA to talk about Target for a few years now and is an Executive Team Leader at a store here in Austin. Abby is a District Team Lead and David is an intern who came to talk about his experiences as an intern with

Target.

The meeting began with Chris talking about his own experiences with Target and then moved to cover Target's internship program. Afterwards, both Chris and Abby explained the benefits that Target provides and what the company offers for its employees. From their description, ABSA members got the gist of what it feels like to work at Target and how it is an awesome company to work for. Target's focus on a people-to-products-to people environment along with its opportunities for its employees allowed our members to see that Target is a very flexible, caring, and inviting company to work for. Overall, the three representatives were very welcoming and allowed members to ask questions to each representative directly at the end of the meeting.

### Leadership Session PRO

### **Opportunities**

By Stephanie Fang

At the ABSA Leadership Information Session, the officers, consulting team head Robert Huynh, and I-Team heads Olive Hsiao and Annie Li all talked about the numerous opportunities available for ABSA members. As the officers each explained the director positions, many freshmen listened intently while considering the two positions they would like to apply for. ABSA really does have a lot of opportunities for freshmen to help out in the organization.

Robert Huynh explained what the consulting team was and encouraged people

to join. Annie and Olive busted out their PowerPoint as people looked on with their eyes beaming. After the briefing, many members went to their respective officers and expressed their interest and asked questions as to what each position entailed.

All of the I-Team was present and many people showed interest. In addition, many simply went just to get to know the officers better and socialize.

All in all, it was a great experience for members to get to know each other better. ABSA really is an organization with endless opportunities!







### Stuff Your Face (for ABSA)

By Eugene Hsiao

After having a successful first family night for the year, we all hurried into our big-sibs' cars for a ride to Five Guys. The place was quickly packed with ABSA members forming a line all the way to the door. Wallets armed and stomachs ready to devour, everyone ordered their own individualized burger. Some just ordered burgers, but the brave ones ordered a side of Cajun fries and a drink to go with their meat-tastic creation.

Nearly every seat was taken by an ABSA member. Everywhere you turned there was either someone stuffing their face, laughing hysterically, or simply enjoying the company of their family members. I know for a fact I got laughed at for attacking my 'heart attack in a serving' with a fork and knife.

The benefit night was definitely a great way to end the evening on a great note. Everyone was full. Everyone had fun. It was just fantastic!

# Study Abroad Panel © Q







### **Productive Vacationing?**

By Connie Han

It feels like it was just yesterday I sat through an ABSA general meeting furiously writing down possible vacation spots for the summer and for this GM, I sat in the audience wishing that the rest of ABSA would do the same. The general meeting featured an annual study abroad panel that hopes to inspire students to see the world outside of the United States and is required for students who want to study abroad.

The session started with Claudia from the study abroad office giving a general overview about the benefits of studying abroad. She followed by going over administrative information such as the places of travel available, requirements, credit transfers, and finances. Later, the meeting consisted of a group of ABSA students who had studied abroad previously. Members of the audience were then allowed to voice questions or concerns they had in regard to studying abroad. The panelist also offered a few tips and tricks on how to have fun and live in an unfamiliar area while sharing a few funny and embarrassing stories. From the academics to the fun aspect of studying abroad, the meeting surely answered a lot of questions that students had.

The McCombs School of Business sends more students abroad than most colleges because it organizes and promotes its study abroad program so well. When graduate students are asked what their biggest regret in college is, most answer they regret not studying abroad. I am glad that I will not be among them and I hope you will not be as well. Study abroad will probably change your life and it will definitely make your semester or summer one of the most memorable and fun experiences of your life.









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### **Professionalls Premiere**

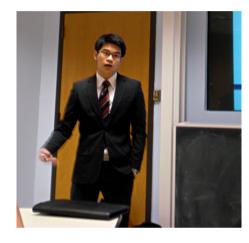
By Henry Shi

It's the first professional event of the year and the UTC room is packed with students eager to learn about how to stand out and prepare for their careers. The pouring rain outside apparently deters no one as members gather around Jimmy John's subs to talk and mingle.

As the workshop starts, people quiet down, intently focusing on each and every speaker. Freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and even seniors blend together to listen to a panel of speakers that included older ABSA members and notable ABSA Alumnus Eddy Fong from Proctor & Gamble.

We heard Keith talk about dressing for success, Tim Lee construct a properly formatted resume, and Eddy Fong discuss the recruiting process from a recruiter's perspective, among many others. The audience listened at the edge of their seats and took copious amounts of notes on the various nuggets of valuable information that was doled out in generous amounts.

It was a sight to see when older members and alumni reached out to help and mentor freshmen and sophomores to the recruiting process. After breaking out into smaller groups, members continued to ask relevant questions from the panelists and finished off the Jimmy John's trays with nary a crumb left.











### ALUMNUS OF THE MONTH



### ANDREW MA

### **Current Profession:**

Financial Advisor/Owner

### Company:

**ALM Financial Services** 

### Year:

1990-1994

### Undergraduate Major/Minor:

Finance/Astronomy

### Interests/Hobbies:

Cooking/BBQ, wine, buying guy gadgets, guns/target shooting, building things, cars, motorcycles (not anymore), lasers, traveling, skiing, beach

### One Piece of Advice for an Undergraduate Student:

In college, you can choose to be who you want to be. I reinvented myself; you can too.





### Technology Advising in Austin

By Connie Han

On a sunny afternoon on September 10th, a group of ABSA students were introduced to one of the top consulting firms in the world: Accenture. With a focus on technology, Accenture offers management consulting, technological services, and outsourcing to companies in need.

The Austin Accenture CFT was a great kick-off to the company field trips. We toured the facilities, saw a presentation about the company and its work, asked the consultants questions, and even participated in activities that simulated a consulting project setting. We got a taste of the life of a consultant and picked up a few technical terms along the way such as value-adding activities.

As we snacked on tasty hors d'oeuvres, we learned that contrary to common belief about consulting, Accenture does focus on the importance of a work-life balance. The consultants have the power to choose how much time they spend with the company and may engage in extracurricular activities at work. Most consultants do travel four days a week, but it depends on the project

Oftentimes the consultants fly out Monday morning and return to the Austin office on Fridays. Bench time is limited and the company has a great mentorship program that focuses on developing newly hired consultants.

Although Accenture does hire primarily MIS, Finance, and Economics majors, all other majors are welcomed. Overall, Accenture is a great company with a lot of name-recognition in the field.

### The Start of a New Year

By Stephanie Fang

Sun. Ice Cream. Water Balloons. What else could anyone ask for? The South Mall Social, the first ever social for the 2010-2011 year, was spectacular. Many freshmen came to mingle and get to know the older members and the officers. It all started as a very civilized meet and greet as everyone enjoyed their ice cream and some fun games like egg, chicken, dinosaur. Everyone was going to play the water balloon toss but then President Henry Shi decided to attack External VP Grace Kim.

Everybody started running towards the huge grey bin filled with water balloons. It became hostile as everyone began to chase down Henry and Tim, last year's president. All of the officers were soaking wet but it was all in good fun. After the water balloons ran out, everyone called a truce; all except some people who were hiding a few water balloons to get Tim Lee ONE LAST TIME.

Tim Lee ducked as all of the old members and new members attacked him. It was a great social as many ABSA members made new friends and caught up with their old friends. What a great start to a new year!





### Fun at the Lake

By Eric Tsang

What's the best way to spend Labor Day weekend? At home in Dallas or Houston? No, of course not, the answer is an ABSA boat party. Well, there was iobviously" a boat and of course food from Dominoes Pizza. At around 3 PM on a perfect Sunday afternoon, everyone gathered at the typical meeting spot for all events: Littlefield fountain. After piling into cars, everyone set off for Lake Travis. Once there, everyone socialized and ate pizza until it was time to get on the boat.

With lakes at normal levels this year, Lake Travis looked awesome and made for some great scenery and pictures. Of course, there were the obligatory jumping pictures, but there were also pictures of new friendships forming and old ones catching up. When we reached our destination, many members jumped into the lake or climbed the rocks to socialize some more. After a couple hours of swimming and fun, the sun finally set and we headed back to shore and back home to not do homework. It was a great way to spend the holiday weekend.





# ABSA/kab/keep AUSTIN BEAUTIFUL

### Cleaning Streets and Making Friends

By Cody Imamura

ABSA's first volunteering event for the year took place on an early Saturday morning as we cleaned the city streets for Keep Austin Beautiful (KAB). KAB is a nonprofit organization that is committed to cleaning and protecting the local Austin environment. That particular Saturday morning, we departed from Littlefield fountain after engaging in a round of animated introductions and indulging in some delicious doughnuts and OJ (provided by a couple of gracious alumni!).

Fully armed with gloves, trash bags, and litter pick-up tools, we worked our way down the sidewalks from 30th to 38th street of Guadalupe. The Texas sun was hot but all thoughts of the heat faded as the lively conversation flared up between the members. This volunteering event is a favorite among ABSA members and it's no wonder why. It's short, simple, but also social. You really get to bond with one another as you work together to remove litter from the sidewalks. Through great teamwork, we managed to fill up several large trash bags stuffed with empty plastic bottles, discarded shoes, rusty car parts, and all the other crazy paraphernalia you may find on the streets of Austin.

As part of the Adopt-A-Street program, ABSA had a cool sign installed at the end of 38th street, which is also where we took our traditional KAB group picture. After a few snapshots, we headed back to campus to wash up and eat lunch at Kinsolving. With good friends and food, we happily concluded our first philanthropic event for the year.



### **Family Bonding**

By Henry Shi

I know that in my family, and in many similar Asian families, parents show their love for their kids by doing what? PROVIDING FOOD OF COURSE!!! Thus, ABSA kicked off our 2010-2011 Family Program in style at the Sago Modern Mexican Restaurant at the Triangle over food and fun with close to thirty old members who had volunteered their services as Big Sibs.

We love our ABSA family so we feed them free food. After everyone had gathered around tables, waiters began coming in with plates and plates of delicious appetizers from the Happy Hour menus. Naturally people began reaching left and right for Mexican Hot Wings (plump jumbo wings dusted with Chili-lime sweet sauce), Quesadillas (pulled brisket with sautéed rajas), Nachos (toasty hot with a blend of mozzarella and cheddar cheeses), among other dishes.

It was a tough choice on whether to come up to breath or to continue eating and risking the possibility of passing out in mid-bite. When things had settled down a bit (aka, when most of the food had been demolished), Courtney and Grace Kim went over the lofty expectations ABSA has for the Family Program this year. They even made the Big Sibs sign an honorary contract promising to adhere to those goals. After all, we want only the best for our members.



### **UCLA vs. Texas**By Hyungoo Kang

Financial Branch once again brought one of the biggest fundraising opportunities into ABSA: football ushering. Our very first ushering was on September 25, UT vs. UCLA.





At first, the ushering volunteers were horrified by the amount of hours they had to usher. However, we all had fun experiencing football in a different spectrum. We were all surprised by the lack of credit we normally give to ushers; they have a big role in organizing and coordinating football games and we were proud to say we took part in it.

In the end, although we were disappointed by the fact that UT lost to an

easy opponent, we all had fun ushering for UT.

The best part about ushering was after the fact. We all went to Tap House and mingled with others to get to know each other better. When we looked back, we all concluded the experience was priceless.





## Canpung







### **The Great Indoors**

By Grace Kim

When we arrived at the beautiful campsite, there was not a cloud in the sky. The scintillating blue ocean, warm weather, and wheelbarrows full of food promised a whole day of fun activities, games, and some intense bonding.

Yet, the 30% chance of precipitation became a reality when the first droplets of rain began to fall on our disappointed members. However, a light drizzle could not dampen our spirits and some members continued to play football and eat the delicious burgers/hotdogs our gracious alumnus, Andrew Ma, grilled for us. We could not bear to let rain stop us from enjoying one of the most important events of the semester.

The fun continued at 10 PM when we met at the business school for ABSA's first lock-in! We divided up into eight groups and competed against one another in various games. First, we had to build the tallest

self-standing structure using only newspapers and masking tape. Then we played charades relay, where the first person in line acted out a word and the motion was passed down the line to the last person who had to guess what the word was. Finally, we played a song game where the groups had to think of songs that contained a certain word or fit into a certain category. Somehow, that game turned into a dance-off.

Overall the lock-in was a great, spontaneous event that demonstrated ABSA's resourcefulness and flexibility in the face of adversity!





# ABSA Jown Lake ANIMAL SHELTER VOLUNTEERING #2

### **Puppy Love**

By Cody Imamura

Everybody loves a good volunteering event. Everybody loves puppies too. So what do you get when you combine these two loves? A morning with ABSA at the Town Lake Animal Shelter!

By 7:30 AM, the volunteers were gathered at Littlefield fountain and eagerly waiting for the morning to begin. After reaching Town Lake Animal Shelter, we were given a quick orientation and rundown of the guidelines. Our duties as volunteers included walking the dogs and helping out with the morning potty patrol. The volunteers paired off and worked with one dog at a time, making sure to shower each charming canine with love.

We were instructed on what to do if we accidentally let a dog off its collar. I personally found this information very useful as my partner and I promptly lost grip on our dog's leash within the first five minutes. "Loose dog! Loose dog!" we both hollered, and our puppy (his name was Ryder) eventually came back to us with a slightly apologetic grin on his lovable face.

All of our members had a wonderful time helping the animal shelter. The animals that find their way to the shelter often come from heartbreaking backgrounds and lead stressful lives, so it was great to help cheer them up and give them some loving attention. All in all, it was an extremely rewarding experience and I look forward to volunteering with Town Lake Animal Shelter again!









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### A New Year By Eugene Hsiao

After anxiously waiting to find out whether this year's directors made it into their positions, they spent a lovely Sunday evening bonding and getting to know each other over everyone's favorite subjects: food and games. The officers hosted this little soiree for the directors in the little courtyard area by Prathers dormitory.



After a few icebreakers, including 'two truths and a lie' and various others, the branches broke out and shared conversations over a Texas favorite: Rudy's barbeque. Everyone feasted on Brisket, Rudy's Bar-B-Q sauce, potato salad, but most importantly cream corn; what could go wrong? There was a bountiful amount of food that evening and needless to say, everyone was stuffed.

Finally, the evening ended with some s'mores. Some directors like their marshmallows completely blackened, some



fairly roasted and then there are those who stuff them into their mouths as is. A few of the members of the Executive Branch enjoyed their marshmallows chubby bunny style. All in all, bonding occurred and new friendships were formed; the evening was one great success.

### The Start of a New Season

By Grace Kim

It was our first game of the season! Expectations were high and the players were ready from all of our previous practices. We arrived on the field half an hour beforehand to warm-up and practice a few drills.

Since we were the home team, we were supposed to wear white but all of the players showed up representing our ABSA pride with our purple t-shirts.

Our opponents were called "Texas Sweethearts" but there was definitely nothing sweet in the way they were playing the game.

Van Dang, our quarterback, called out the plays. It was an intense and gripping game and although the execution of plays was not necessarily perfect, the day ended in a "sweet" victory. We realized that we still needed more work to run and play as a team but it was still enjoyable and a great learning experience.







### **Unstoppable**

By Denny Ku

The ABSA co-ed team was feeling good after its first victory but as we were on the field stretching and warming up, we realized we were short on girls. We looked at our watches and discovered we had only 1 minute before game time. Confusion and panic began to set in and we were unsure of how we would be able to get enough girls to even compete.

Official Flag Football rules state that you need at least a minimum of 3 girls to play; we had 0. Athletic Directors Denny Ku and Nook Truong scrambled around and were unsure of what to do but then looked around and noticed three loyal ABSA fans that all happened to be girls. None of them had the right shoes, pockets, or clothes so the extra ABSA men began to take off theirs to get the three girls on the field. 7:07, 3 minutes from disqualification by ineligibility to compete, Ariel Kao, Amanda Almeda, and Sondra Batbold marched on the field in mix-matched attire.

The game went underway as the Black Alliance got the ball on ABSA's own 30 yard line. The Black Alliance had a few trick plays on their sleeves and scored a touchdown. The score was 6 to 0. ABSA's offense could not capitalize on the drive and the defense was back on the field. The girl QB for black alliance lobbed it up but Tu Pham was there for the INT and took it all the way to the house. Score by the half was 6 to 6.

Black Alliance got the ball by the half, but could not capitalize on it and ABSA co-ed





got the ball back. They drove it down the field and Van took a three step drawback and bulleted it into the middle of the field. The ball sailed and Grace Kim one-hand palmed it over a defender into the end zone. The extra point was good, making the score ABSA 16 and Black Alliance 6.

The Black Alliance retaliated quickly and sold a fake girl run to a deep Hail Mary pass into the end zone. The score was 16 to 12, ABSA on top.



We got into the 10 play series and ABSA ran the plays down to the 4 plays left before they had to turn it over. Four plays left and Black Alliance had to drive it 80 yards. There was a short pass for 10 yards, stopped by Patrick Chen; 3 plays left. They drew back, 25 yard pass completed and stopped by Denny Ku; 2 plays left. 30 yard pass completed and stopped by Denny Ku; 1 play left. QB drew back and the receivers faked the cross route and the ball was sailed deep into the left side of the end zone. The

receiver and Van Dang jumped for it and Van batted it down; 0 plays left. ABSA co-ed pulled off another victory for a 2-0 start!





### MEN'S FOTBALL



### Running Away with It By Ariel Kao

After coming out victorious from their co-ed football game, ABSA fans and players stayed pumped up and ready to dominate for the men's game. Up against the tough Sheekers United, the players were more than ready to take on the challenge. Along the sidelines, spectators were ready to cheer on their team until they turned blue in the face and fainted!

Fans held up fantastic homemade signs. The energy was intense, and the tension among the players and fans alike was high. The flags around the players' waists flapped in the wind as they prepared for the kickoff. The opposing teams started on opposite ends of the field and when the whistle blew, they all charged at their opponents.

The game was a nail biter from start to finish. By half-time both teams were tied 6 to 6. It was clear to ABSA and to the opposing team that the pressure was on and to the max. Whichever team won this game would

be one step closer to championships. Things got crazy in the second half. So crazy that even spectators too close to the field were injured!

The other team just couldn't keep up with our offense. The game ended with an amazing touchdon by ABSA, thus rewarding our football team with a well-earned victory. Congratulations and praises were thrown at the men as they bounced off the field, ecstatic by their outstanding win.









### **Sondra Batbold**

Henry Shi: You are doing a really great job Mr. President. Keep your head up, don't stress too much, and work on your basketball skills haha.

**Karen Shih:** I am so glad we got to know each other better this semester. I love having you on the panel! We need to get lunch/dessert sometime hehe;)

**Diana Meng:** The volunteering events are so popular! You're doing a great job girly. Best line ever: "why is this my job??"

Grace Ko: You dressing so well makes the rest of us look bad! Jk, most fashionable on the panel for sure. I'm so glad we get to work together after LeaderShape! =)

Grace Kim: Can I bond with you? Can I? Can I? Admin loves Internal tee hee. Thank you so much for always being there to listen and give advice. You're a great friend and I love working with you. Let's go to Costco and nom again haha

**Ka-Wai:** Stop playing Starcraft! You look exhausted haha. Great job with Academic =)

Hyungoo Kang: Thanks for taking care of me that one time lol I will try to be "Smiley Sondra" again sometime...besides, you make me smile anyway!

Amanda Almeda, Tammy Tran, & Jennifer Nguyen: You three are doing a great job - keep up the good work!

Eric Zhang, Helen Lee, & Kyra Gallion: The Informer looks amazing. You guys are so full of ideas that I can barely keep up! Thanks for all the dedication and hard work. =)

**Louis Yu:** I'm STILL sore! haha jk. I love that you take initiative so keep up the hard work. Let's go to the gym again =)

Nathan Chen: Media Directors unite! I love having you in my branch again and thanks for keeping me company while we waited for Angela that night lolol;) Yinni Chen: I know it was crazy in the beginning, but you are really getting the hang of things now and I am so proud! Keep it up!

**Eugene Hsiao:** Thanks for being there for those late nights. Btw, your baked goods..so nommm

Victoria Chiem: Baby girl, I heart you. You never hold back from telling me when I am wrong or just plain stupid and stubborn. Thanks for always having my back. Can we stalk Alex again? haha

McLiu: The dun dun, yep, in London =)

Denny Ku: ?!?!?!?! <- lol Can I borrow your

Diversity 2.2

Angela Huang: My officer, my big sib, and my friend... I <3 you and our girls nights =) Thanks for

helping me out so much in the beginning of the year - I don't know what I would have done without you $\sim$ !

Stephen He: Stop giving me weird looks. ^\_^ Vincent Nguyen: Thanks for being so helpful in Admin. Great job!

Patrick Chen: I'm pretty sure it's Anthrax...can you come over and check? Haha, you goofball...stop making me smile =)

Jen Tam: Yes, let's go dancing again!

**Pil Jeong:** I miss you in Admin!!! Come back!! =/ hehe I still get to see you out

Youngsik Kim: I am so glad I got you to join ABSA. You are hilarious! hehe

**Johnny Lee:** I'm so happy that you're in my family =) Can't wait for our lunch this week!

Hans Malzar: You're a really cool guy (surprisingly..haha jk) Sorry you didn't get to see me be all crazy, but the time will come haha.

**Terence Ko:** You killed me...what a horrible neighbor! Haha, it's been great getting to know you and now I can just walk over and bug you whenever I want muaha =)

**Doro, Bang, & Andrew:** Pbros, thanks for supporting me in ABSA.

Justin Liao: I missed the gun show!! =/

**Monica Nguyen:** You are so awesome at volleyball! Teach me! haha

Betty Wang: You're super sweet. I know things were rough at first, but I'm glad you stuck it through! Don't give up!

**Ariel Kao:** Can you teach me how to do the pretty braid in your hair? It's so cool!

**Alumni Board:** Thank you for providing us with support and valuable advice. You guys are really great and we are lucky to have you. =)

### **Eugene Hsiao**

Officers: Thanks for providing ABSA with such great leadership!

Directors: Thanks for making ABSA great!

French Toast Mafia: Thank you for making me feel loved. <3

**Alice Lee:** Hi Smartie. How spicy do you like your pickle?!

Amanda Nguyendon: How come I never see you anymore? Are you trying to ignore me?

Angela Chow: Thanks for your budgetary assistance. Angela Eng: I love you and your sweet treats. Thank you for keeping me fluffy! (:

**Angela Huang:** Thank you for keeping me company in the Mill Lab.

Angie Zhou: Hi favourite freshman!

**Annie Li:** I miss seeing you! When are you free? Can you pencil me in?

Anuj Khandelwal: I promise you I will not make you wear a dress this year.

**Ariel Kao:** Nice meeting you in personal, finally. (: **Ashley Chang:** Welcome to C-Team. I hope you're having fun.

**Becky Luu:** It was nice chatting with you on the way to GAM. We should walk to GAMs together from

**Brandon Chang:** We (including Karen) should go restaurant exploring in Austin more often. And thank you for saying thank you. (:

**Brandon Wang:** I was surprised when I saw you at the ABSA meeting for the first time. I still remember you from Chinese school days.

**Carlos Bencomo:** Have you paid yet, lol? I hope you're enjoying your time with ABSA.

Carrie Chen: I had a great time getting to know you over our little chat!

Cassandra Chew: Hey HS Orchestra pal, how's UT treating you?

Cathy Shen: FIG buddy, where have you been?!?! Chris Nagashima: So sorry for missing Starbucks! Christine Lau: Hi fellow TYF mentor. Will you play piano for me sometime?

**Cindy Khuu:** Dear neighbor, how come we live on the same floor and we rarely see each other?

**Cindy Lin:** I love how I NEVER see you anymore. We should fix this.

**Connie Han:** Have a son. Let him have your last name. Name him Cole. (:

**Dan Quach:** Are you still in ABSA?! Where are you? **Daniel Chao:** I remember when we used to hate each other. Glad we're over that.

**Daniel Jong:** I hope you've been working on your driving skills so that I can sit in your car.

**Danny An:** Thank you for being a cool fish, unlike the one under you.

**Daryle Utama:** DDD. We need to find you a sugar daddy. (:

**Denny Ku:** Nice hair cut. I think you can go a little shorter though next time. Oh, and nice vests.

**Diana Meng:** I miss volunteering with you Diana. Every time I go sign up, the list is always full. :(

**Dustin Le (Tiger Woods):** Graduate already, sheesh. JK.

**Emily Kong:** I have a newfound unhealthy obsession for cardigans now, on top of my vest obsession. I blame you.

Emily Lai: Hi stranger. It's nice seeing you from time to time.

Eric Tsang (Jewic): You are so mean to me. What did I ever do to deserve such cruelty?!

**Erica Chung:** I rarely see you anymore this semester. We should try to hang out sometime.

Faisal Hasan: You are one of the few new members that I remember from the first meeting. I guess you're just memorable!

Fangy: You are a wonderful name tag maker!
Frank Chen: I swear you and Terence were stalking me that one day. Greepers.

**Grace Kim:** Thank you for all the rides to games and to HEB. I enjoy your company!

**Grace Ko:** Despite my dislike of the blackberries, I have to say, your white one is quite nice. (THANKS FOR YOUR HELP. Without it, I wouldn't have been able to do this.)

Hans Malzar: Nice bike. Thanks for never running me over.

Henry Shi: Thank you for being so awesome.

Huma Munir: Welcome to ABSA.

**Hyungoo Kang:** Please don't hate me like you hate Karen. Sorry for being so annoying. I appreciate all your help!

Jan Kim Ma: Where are you?!?!

**Jason Jeng:** How've you been? I haven't seen much of you this semester.

Jason Tan: Hey Taiwan pal.

Jeff Li: How's Starcraft coming along?

**Jeff Zhao:** Thanks for inviting me over. It was nice getting to know Jeff on a deeper level.

**Jen Tam:** I'm just saying, it would've been nice to receive an invite. That's all.

**Jenny Che:** Every time I am around you, you always seem to make me laugh. I look forward to consuming your fruits and chips!

Jeremy Fang: Need a battery?



Joanna Chou: All this time, and we weren't facebook friends.

Johnny Lorn: So when are we all baking again? Jon Wong: Nice capture the flag skills. I hope you have fully recovered.

Josh Hu: Ho? Jk. I finally remember your last name now: Hu!

**Julie Lim:** It is weird going from seeing you everyday to like never. We must catch up soon.

**Karen Chen:** PURE EVILNESS. Thank you for the cordial invite. (:

**Karen Shih:** I <3 my bestie. Now we're just a hydroxide molecule (OH).

**Ka-Wai To:** I always have to remind myself to spell your name like Hawaii, but with a K instead of an H, a dash between the a and W and lastly no extra i.

Keith Chan: I miss your crutch.

**Kelsey Durham:** I love my favourite white friend! Never leave me!

**Ken Nguyen:** Sorry for assisting in your assassination. I'll make you something tasty to make up for it.

**Kevin Chu:** Thank you for participating in the Mentorship Series!

**Kevin Hwang:** Did you enjoy the cream puffs? **Khristine Dinh:** I still remember when I met you at Juicy Tart.

Koosh Patel: Are you still alive?!

Ling Chang: Ring Ring. Can I speak with Ling-a-Ling? When are we going to actually hang out?

Louis Yu: You are just a physics genius. I don't know how you do it. Thanks for all the help!

**Louise Ho:** I hope all is well. I barely see you anymore! I miss all your baked goodies.

Mercedes Pang: I never see my favourite car anymore. Can we hang out soon?

**Molly Sun:** When are we going to have a shopping date?

Natasha Suddhi: Once again, CONGRATS! (: Nathan Chen: You make a great cheer leader! Olive Hsiao: Da jie, where have you been!?!? Your xiao di misses you.

Parry Yang: Did you have an enjoyable brownbag experience with Daryle? Lol.

Patrick Chen: I CANNOT BELIEVE YOU DO NOT TRUST ME. I AM SO HURT. YOU SHOULD'VE JUST STAYED IN THE CLOSET!!!

Patty Huang: It is great to finally get to know you! You should reconsider a career in tattoo art.

**Pil Jeong:** Party Pil, where have you been?! Stop studying so much on Fridays!

Ran Liu: It was nice meeting you at Red Mango. I hope you liked it!

San Nguyen: I miss having class with you. I hope we can have at least a class together next semester, like last year.

Shalin Dalal: Thank you for your help. How are you so smart? Can I have your brain?

**Sharon Hsu:** Thank you for always saying hi to me when you see me on the streets. (:

**Sondra Batbold:** Thanks for always being there for me. (: p.s. I have your curry puffs.

**Stephanie Qin:** Do I know you? Where have you been?!

**Stephen He:** I love your phone. I wish they would release the white one sooner.

Terence Ko: Are you dead yet? I was just messing with you btw. You know I would never get you assassinated. Or would I?

**Tiffany Leong:** I miss hanging out with you. We should hang out soon!

**Tim Lee:** When are you heading back to SL? I miss our bonding time over trips back home.

**Tracy Wing:** Twing. You need to study less so you can spend more time with us!!!

Victoria Chiem: I greatly enjoy your events! I have so much fun. Btw, how did covering your phone go? Work out well?

Vincent Nguyen: Howdy.

Yinni Chen: Thank for all your help! Do you

remember everyone's name yet? **Everyone else:** GO ABSA!

### **Hyungoo Kang**

**Helen Lee:** sorry for turning in informers too late. It won't happen again. I promise

Molly Sun: Where you at fool?!

**Stephanie Qin:** I miss you **•**. I don't have anybody to pick on now.

**Angela Huang:** Stop stealing Stephen away from me. Sharing is the key.

**Stephen He:** Thanks for being active in ABSA and being a Big Sib with me.

**Cybil Zhang:** Thanks for spilling beer all over me. **Richard He:** So... you wouldn't play bball with me but we went to bake instead? What?!

**Joshua Yap:** we should play tennis sometime buddy **Angela Chow:** Stop studying and come out to ABSA events!

Pil Jeong: I will bring "Party Pil" to ABSA once again this year

Keith Chen: where are you? you silly guy

**Nathen Chen:** Your Droid X is pretty awesome **Jenny Che:** Yes Jenny, it won't affect your chance of becoming a director.

Peter Jeon: It's okay buddy. I knew you were Korean after all.

Ken Nguyen: Baldy!

**Ariel Min:** You are so busy all the time. You need to come out to ABSA more ♥

Jen Tam: It's always fun hanging out with you Victoria Chiem: Warning to all single GUYS. You do not talk to her. You do not look at her. And you DEFINITELY will not touch her.

Jonny Lee: please come out to our family event Eugene Hsiao: Thanks for always working so hard for ABSA. Love your enthusiasm

**Denny Ku:** buddy, don't try to climb a mountain (me) that you cannot conquer.

Henry Shi: Fatty. Enough said. Sondra Batbold: Giggly girl Grace Ko: Snoopy!

Grace Kim: My new BFF lol.

Heather Ha: Your country accent is so cute!

Terence Ko: MIS is the WAY to go

**Daniel Chao:** Whenever I see you, you are always with cute girls. Invite me next time please.

Patrick Chen: Silly guy #2

**Kevin Nguyen:** I did not butt dial and I was not drunk! Quit calling me a drunk boy

**Ariel Kao:** I got a water bottle, 2 soft tacos. I am ready to serve my duty sir!

Erica Tsao: I am honored to meet Felicia's sister ♥ Felicia Tsao: Your sister is so cool!

**Courtney Chen:** Are you finally going to run for an officer this year? Better yet, run for a president!

Connie Han: I do not hate you. Everything comes from love

Annie Lam: I see you all the time in the Mil Lab. You are so studious

 $\boldsymbol{David}$   $\boldsymbol{Shim:}$  I know how to speak Korean!

Cody Imamura: I don't see you anymore...

Rocky Bae: Dude, I want to volunteer! Put me on the next volunteering list

**Kyra Gallion:** Thanks for coming to our Korean BBQ event.

**Amanda Almeda:** Sorry for getting you wet. I was just following the tradition

Amanda Nguyendon: Hi, OM group partner Kevin Hwang: Dang bro. You are ripped!

Karen Chen: We need to hang out more often!

Patty Huang: I feel like I see you more this year than last year and we are not even neighbors anymore

**Taehoon Kim:** Good job on your first workshop. It was fun

**Diana Meng:** Diana, your face is red as a carrot again **Jeff Zhao:** I am so sorry you lost your wallet. I hope you found it

**Daniel Jong:** Dude, you don't look like a sophomore. You are definitely a super senior

**Eric Tsang:** Congratz! You wanted it so bad and now you got MOTM

Annie Li & Olive Hsiao: I always run something new when I go to I-team meetings

Hans Malzar: I see you in DT all the time but we never go together. Next time, join our group Shalin Dalal: One of the smartest Indian guys I know

in McCombs

Jeffery Li: Stop playing SC2!

Jamie Roh: Welcome to ABSA I-Team and thanks

for always coming out to ABSA **Tiffany Leong:** I knew you could pull it off! Welcome

to ABSA I-team

Ling Chang: Thanks for always supporting ABSA even though you are super busy all the time

Justin Wang: You are the smartest guy in I-Team accordingly to my directors

**Koosh Patel:** Congratz on getting an offer from BAML in NY

**Chang Liu:** Stop working out. Your man boobs are getting bigger and bigger every second

Parry Yang: Good luck on your first DCF!

Jessica Chen: Jess, I know your name! I called you Jen because I was looking at Jan when I was about to call your name ♥

**Andrew Yoon:** Hyung, when are we going to play bball?

**Tovey Xu:** We need to hang out more often **Jocelyn Lee:** I miss you ex-big sib! I am a big sib

**Minji Kwon:** You crack me up every time I see you **Jeanna Yu:** You need to come out to ABSA more often

Louis Yu: I did swim with dolphins

Tim Lee: Sup ex-president of ABSA.

Anuj Khandelwal: You are pretty cool guy. You need to start hanging out

Lee Wang: Thanks for helping me out in MIS 333K when I am in trouble

Angela Eng: Thanks for the delish strawberry cupcake

Carrie Chen: Hey lil sib. I am excited that you live so close to me. Yay!

**Eunsu Lee:** You are really good at dancing! I was surprised.

**Jeongmin Yu:** I see your FB post and you always complain about Calculus. You are not true Korean Iol. JK

**Kelsey Durham:** I can't believe you told Dr. Gau to be quiet so you can talk lol

Maggie Zhang: Hi lil sib

Thuy Do: I won't forget your name again Youngsik Kim: I did not go to goon dae yet. Stop rubbing it in my face ♥

### **Grace Kim**

Henry Shi: Hey buddy, just wanted to let you know that you're doing a great job. We've known each other for a long, long time and I've seen you grow and mature into the leader you are today. Thanks for lending me advice when I need it (and sometimes when I don't! Haha) and just being a great friend as well! Ka-wai To: We really need to start a book of the strange things you say during OMs hahaha! I'm so glad I'm getting to know you better by being on the panel together. You're so much fun to talk to! Grace Ko: GRACE! Do you remember the first time we met? It was in the BHP office and we bonded through our mutual friend Lucy Fang! I can't believe three years later we're on the officer panel together! We should have an officer girls night out! Diana Meng: ECC partner to ABSA officer...I love

working with you Diana! You're the sweetest!

Sondra Batbold: Gosh where do I start? You just make me smile babe I love that we can be so open with each other and you know I'm always here for you and on your side right? Let's get through all the stress and hard times together! We need to go walk around South Congress again sometime!

**Karen Shih:** Smallest on the panel but definitely the most fun and motherly figure of us all! I love our mutual passion for sweets (I can out-eat you in sweets, hands down!) and I love how you look so cute all the time! Thanks for making sure our panel is always on track – you carry the team!

Hyun Kang: I'm so glad I'm getting to know you better through being in the same officer panel and also as a fellow Big Sib. Thanks so much for driving to Dallas and for the free donuts...I know I can always rely on you to brighten my day when I need it...I hope you'll call me when you need the same!

**Josh Hu:** You're such a hard worker! I always see you at the Atrium!

Lee Wang: You're freaking awesome Lee...we need to study at one of your cafés together sometime!

Kelsey Durham: YOU'RE KICKING BUTT AT FOOTBALL! Girl we're going ALL THE WAY this year!

Jon Wong: Thanks for always making my day with your special hug whenever I see you!

Victoria Chiem: Girl, you know I'm always here for

you no matter what right? You're my girlfriend soon-to-be-wife (yea, be jealous Henry) and one of my best friends and I love ABSA for bringing us together (that night at camping was... hmmm...). I'm so happy that we can get through this year together and support each other through the tough times/happy times. I know we haven't been able to hang out as much this semester but I know I can come to you for anything and you'll always be there. I care about you so much and I can't wait to enjoy the rest of the year with you!

**Denny Ku:** Alright, I'm going to embarrass myself and say that you're my BFFL on this Informer edition... happy? Haha I'm so glad I got to meet you this semester! You're doing a great job (so far at least) and I love the fact that I can just laugh/joke around with you all the time. Thanks!

Patrick Chen: How was your sister's wedding? I'm so glad I get to be working with THE Patrick Chen this year! You're going to do great things for Internal and I can't wait to see you work your magic

Natasha Suddhi: We started off as Brown Bag buddies and now we're working together! Thanks for always being so helpful and having such a positive attitude! You did an AWESOME job with the family game!

Courtney Chen: Hey you, stop calling me lame! Just because you're jealous that I'm too cool for you...can't wait for another year in Internal with you! You being there puts me at ease because I know I can trust you/come to you for anything. Thanks!

Nook Truong: We'll have a huge party at your house soon ok? Haha! Thanks for always knowing how to make me smile! You're doing a great job and I know ABSA will have a great shot at championships under your leadership!

Kevin Nguyen: I love your enthusiasm for ABSA! Keep it up! You need to keep me updated on...you know, your situation [[wink wink]] haha!

Ariel Kao: We need to have a contest to see who can name more members from ABSA... so far I have been undefeated:)

Erica Tsao: We need to run into each other randomly more often on campus!

Hans Malzar: You are the coolest guy I know. I still need to learn how to drive stick from you... can't wait for our lunch on Monday!

**Dustin Le:** You owe me 7 bucks for the IM tshirt! Hahaha thanks for coming out to games and lending us your football skills!

Stephanie Qin: I miss our summer adventures so we should check out Café Monet and do more ceramic painting! Haha thanks for being a great MIS buddy!

Angela Eng: I'm so glad you're back on campus!

Let's hang out more!

Angela Huang: GIRLS NIGHT WOOHOOO! I love you girlie!

**Stephen He:** I'm glad we're getting to know each other better through being Big Sibs! Our family is going to be the BEST. Let's get those tshirts madel

Richard He: We need to go running!

Jen Tam: You have the most genuine laugh of anyone I know! Thanks for brightening up our days!

Vincent Nguyen: Congrats on Director of the Month! You totally deserved it because you ROCK.

Now come out to our family events! Bahaha

**Terence Ko:** Hey! We never had lunch this semester! **Ken Nguyen:** I've been craving that sushi place ever since you took me there haha. Thanks so much for driving for New Member Retreat!

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Pil Jeong: More lunches please! Stop being a hermit and come out and play!

Andy Nguyen, Carrie Chen, Sue Lee, Brandon Wang, Jenny Che, Maggie Zhang, Peter Jeon: I'm so glad you guys came on the family trip with us! I had so much fun getting to know you and eating fried food! Look forward to more family events and stay active! GO IT'S SO FLUFFY!!!

Eugene Hsiao: Thanks so much for feeding me that dumpling thing and your delicious guac! You also make the best cream puffs EVER. I really enjoyed talking with you... you're pretty awesome!

Youngsik Kim: You are way too funny! I hope you enjoyed eating those two boxes of pizza you took from the New Member Retreat!

Shalin Dalal: WOOHOOO!!! Guess I'll be seeing you around more often at mixers, eh? Teehee!

Jeff Li: Dude! We need to go on a bus adventure together one day!

Daniel Jong: Best running buddy ever!

Jeff Zhao: I'm really sorry about what happened to your wallet

Ling Chang: Hey! I found a Missional Community! Did you get plugged into one yet?

Minji Kwon: It was great meeting you Minji! I hope you continue coming out to our events!

Louis Yu: I only hear good things about you Louis! Get ready to make/leave behind your own legacy in ABSA!

Monica Nguyen, Erica Chung, Tim Lee, Molly Sun, Felicia Tsao: It's good seeing you old officers around again! Ya'll make awesome big sibs! Monica – you're our secret weapon in volleyball!

**Daniel Chao:** Remember when we used to see each other in Reliant ALL the time? I miss studying with you!

### **Grace Ko**

Henry: I love that recruiters notice your speedo picture whenever they look through an Informer! Good thing you already have a job offer:P

**Karen:** You and your undeniable love for sweets! My little sibs are super jealous of your little sibs because of all the stuff you bake for them.

**Grace Kim:** Hey name twin! I love seeing you jam to Bruno Mars before GMs. Get a ticket for his Houston concert!



Diana: I heart you Diana! We will stick through MPA and ABSA together! And we need to have our branch mixer soon. SIX FLAGS!!!!!

Sondra: I had a really random dream the other day with our Leadershape family in it. Remember our ridiculous Real World skit and our 'Global VIP' chant?!

Ka-Wai: Round Rock High School buddy! Iím so glad we reunited at UT. Good luck with the CS minor! Hyungoo: Thanks for listening to my rants and complaints! I swear my Korean is better than yours! :P Last year's panel: Thank you for all the support and words of encouragement! It really means a lot to us! Cybil: You are such a cutie! Iím so excited to be working with you this year. I know you are super involved with a lot of orgs this year but just make sure not to spread yourself too thin!

**Daniel:** You are so much fun to work with! Good luck with all your interviews this week! Are you excited for Houston CFT because I am!!!

Heather: My dongseng! :P I'm so glad I've gotten to know you better this year. We need to go on another date soon! Good luck with case comp this week!

Seong: Hey fashionista! I love it when you dress up so do it more often. Get ready for Google CFT. You are gonna be great!

**Terence:** It's so funny how intensely you are playing Assassins. I really hope you are the last one standing so that you can treat our branch to lunch. Thank you for everything you do for ABSA!

**Molly:** Hey role model! We need to step it up at Workout Wednesdays and do REAL exercise!

**Bad Assets Family:** It's been so much fun getting to know each and one of you. Thanks for being fantastic little sibs and stay active in ABSA!

**Scoring Careers Committee:** I'm sooo excited to begin working with you guys on Scoring Careers! I know we are going to be an amazing team!

Amanda Nguyendon: Jealous of your iPhone 4! Annie Lam: Sorry I used your dedication for ABSA to trick you:P

**Angela Chow:** Did you think of more ways you can use a pencil other than for writing?:]

**Angela Eng:** Glad you are back at UT! Missed you for a semester!

**Betty:** Good luck with everything this semester! Let me know if you need anything

**Brandon:** Hello fifth year MPA! I still feel bad about what I said at the first GM... forgive me? :D

Candice: Where have you been, my darling? We need to make Fridays our girls day because our schedules are all over the place this semester.

Cathy: I don't see you around as much anymore Christine: I'm so glad you are in my family this year! You need to teach me your routine at Gregory!

Cody: I kinda miss ALS and getting free dinner every Monday with you.;)

**Connie:** You make my day sometimes. Just sometimes :P

Courtney: Loving the family events so far this year! David Shim: So glad you are proactively getting involved in ABSA! Keep up the great work! Dustin: Let's have another "Mighty Fine" day!

Eric: MOTM! You are awesome!

Erica Chung: Thank you for presenting at the study abroad panel!

**Eugene:** I'm so honored that you actually like my Blackberry.

**Eunsu:** I watched a clip of KUSA dance crew and I have to say... you are amazing!

**Felicia:** You and your sister look so much alike! Thanks for presenting in the panel!

Hans: Can't wait to visit the Google office! You got me all excited!

Hayley: Love you cousin!

**Helen:** Good luck this year with your director position!

**Jeanna Yu:** You got me addicted to Zappos! I need to stop shopping.

**Jeff Zhao:** Little sib! Come out to more family events: P

Jeff Li: ROFLCOPTER =D love that t-shirt!
Jennifer Nguyen: Brown bag buddy! See you at Juicy
Tart tomorrow!

**Jenny:** I watched my first ever IM game with you. YAY!

**Jeongmin:** We need to hang out soon!

**Jocelyn:** Thank you for all your advice and support this year! You are amazing!

**Johnny Lorn:** How come H&M didn't give me a cool garment bag like yours?

Jon Wang: I heard you are amazing at volleyball. Josh Hu: Volunteering was fun with you! Be careful about taking Henry's advice on fashion:p

Karen Chen: I wanna see your bunny!

**Keith:** I miss seeing you every week for branch meetings!

**Kelsey:** I can't get over your amazing touchdown at the IM Football game! MVP

Ken: Love the new hair-do!

**Kevin Hwang:** Hey little sib! I'm so glad you are more active this year! Thanks for dinner! I owe you one

**Lee:** Finance buddy! I like how we both always get food coma in that class. Can't ever stay awake:P

Lucy: Hey wifey! Your hubby loves you!

Minji: I'm glad you decided to join ABSA! Come out to more events please!

Nancy: Let's grab lunch or dinner sometime! I miss seeing you all the time. We don't even have class together anymore

Nathan: Internship buddy!

**Parry:** Heather told me you are an amazing cook! Let me know if you ever need tasters!

Patrick: You and Karen are the goofiest!:P Pil: When are you going to the army again?? Haha jkjk don't kill me!

Richard Nguyen: Hey you!

**Robert:** The new PPT template looks amazing! You are awesome!

**Rocky:** I've seen you almost everyday this week but for the wrong reason (MPA cases). Let's celebrate when it's all over!

**Shalin:** I said hi to your brother thinking that I was you... so embarrassing!

**Stephanie Qin:** Volunteering is so much fun with vou!

**Stephanie Fang:** I hope UBC is going well for you so far!

**Taehoon:** We have to go to norebang sometime! **Tim Lee:** Thank you for everthing, Grandpal I like seeing you at our family events!

**Tracy:** Cost is painful....but we will get through it together!

Victoria: You are so cute and energetic. I love being around you!

Vincent: Teach me photography, please?

### **Denny Ku**

**Ariel Kao:** Taresa, I don't think our friendship is ready for talking about #2, sorry this was the most private and personal way I could break it to you.

Betty Wang: One day you won't hate me and then we can be friends

**Courtney Chen:** Sorry about your shorts, we will hold an internal grieving event for them.

Daryle Utama: I still want to call you Darrell Revis. Erica Tsao: T-Sao, T-Sao, T-Sao. Never gets old. Eugene Hsiao: I just bought a new vest to catch up with you.

**Grace Kim:** Did you really think I'd forget to give you a shoutout? Why would I? What do you think I would have said? I thought our friendship was .... dang it. Grace 99 - Denny 3.

**Henry Shi:** I'm pretty sure I have type II diabetes after our chubby bunny game. I hope you are practicing every night a rematch, it'll be bigger than Mayweather v. Pacquiao

Hyungoo Kang: Can't wait to play Capture the Flag next year again and us epic-ly falling chasing each other.

It's So Fluffy: For 3 points, I have type II diabetes. We are in it to win it. FTW.

**Jeff Zhao:** Great playing football with you, good hands.

**Jen Tam:** Things we are good at: studying together, being productive, getting stuff done, not procrastinating, having relevant conversation topics. Things we are also good at: lying.

**Ka-Wai To:** You were pretty good at Ultimate, I feel you have a secret identity with all these secret talents.

**Kelsey Durham:** If Randy Moss was a girl, it'd be you. I still replay that game winning catch in my head every night.

**Kevin Chu:** Sometimes I wake up at 7am before accounting class and I really want to skip, but then I remember what happened that time me and Jen skipped and you didn't. So just for you, I go every morning.

**Kevin Nguyen:** Remember that one time I saw you 8 times in one day? Crazy I know.

My Assassin: Where are you!!!!!

Natasha Suddhi: All we do is sleep in B A 101. Nook Truong: Remember that one time you had a

clear sprint to the end zone, and then you got tired... best day ever.

Patrick Chen: I have a few bruises playing football, but I am pretty for sure that a good half of them are from you... and you are on my team! Haha.

**Petra Koid:** Me, you and Taehoon should have a "McCombs kickoff" group reunion

Richard He: I don't know if this is weird or not, but when I look back at our friendship it consist of hugging and tickling.... is that weird?

Rocky Bae: I just wanted to mention that we almost named our Corgi "Rocky" but then we found out it was a girl... I just wanted to say that you have a cool name

Sondra Batbold: Remember that time we brown bagged and then two days later you requested me again! I'm so flattered. Let's talk more about "!" and "?"

**Taehoon Kim:** Every time I see you, you look really tired. I'm gonna buy you a 5 hour energy and record my findings.

Terrence Ko: I still think you are trying to kill me. Victoria Chiem: You know, every time I try to finish our rock paper scissors off, you run away. Man up! Yinni Chen: I think you said a total of 6 words to me. Let's increase that tenfold!

### **Diana Meng**

**Officers:** It has just been awesome being on the panel with you all! Thanks for making everything so much fun, and I can't wait for our upcoming events!

**Henry Shi:** Thanks for always pushing us to Dream Bigger!

**Karen Shih:** You're Carl, I'm Russell, all we're missing is Dug and Kevin.

**Grace Ko:** I miss our smoothie trips after OM. Let's start going to Red Mango!

**Grace Kim:** Here's another one for your collection: (hold out hand) "Would you hold this for me while I go for a walk?"

**Sondra Batbold:** Thanks for always bringing desserts to OM. Love them!

**Ka-Wai To:** DUDE. You and your intense stares crack me up.

**Hyungoo Kang:** I'm not kidding about merit points this year. Just you wait and see.

Annie Lam: Thanks for taking one for the team. We will get Grace back one day.

**Cody Imamura:** You + Me = Double Trouble. Let's pull pranks again at this year's Chicago CFT!

**Connie Han:** Hanster, I'm so glad we never run out of inside jokes.

**David Shim:** You better be as cool as Morrie when you become a professor.

**Josh Hu:** I wonder what would happen if I made you choose between food and Backstreet Boys.

**Lily Nhoisaykham:** Ms. Speed Reader, hope you finish the book before the movie comes out!

**Rocky Bae:** Your expressions are priceless, especially when I mention Melting Pot.

**Amanda Almeda:** You were supposed to be my target for assassins! Oh well, hope you're still alive!

Amanda Nguyendon: Congrats on getting into MPA as a sophomore!

**Angela Chow:** Hope you're not having any more troubles with your car after being towed.

Angela Huang: Thanks again for taking our officer pictures! As always, they look so pretty.

Annie Li: It's great getting to see you in both ABSA and UBC!

Anthony Lo: Thanks for volunteering at Micah 6! I'm really glad you decided to join ABSA after all.

**Ariel Kao:** You should make masks for everyone next time we volunteer at Micah 6.

Becky Luu: I'm really glad you're in ABSA this year! Brandon Wang: Unofficial honorary member of External Branch! I still can't forget about the kangaroo.

Carlos Bencomo: Congrats on getting into iTeam! Carrie Chen: I still remember you introduced me to "Like a G6" before it got so popular!

**Cassandra Chew:** Hope you had fun riding in the cool car during KAB #1.

Cathy Shen: I miss you and your collection of boots! It was really nice hanging out at our family event!

**Charles Chong:** Glad you volunteered at the Town Lake Animal Center!

Christine Lau: Thanks for always helping out during our tabling marathons!

**Courtney Chen:** I look forward to what you have in store for us at the next family event!

Cybil Zhang: Hope to get to know you better this year! Daniel Chao: Dang, didn't know you were such a recruiting beast! Love your infinity loop scarf!

**Daniel Jong:** I still remembered when you drove us to camping last year. Is it a less scary experience now?

Danny An: I know, wait lists for volunteering are just insane. Thanks for sticking through the process!

Dar Iamsuri: That's so cool that you're from

Thailand! Hope you had fun at Micah 6! **Daryle Utama:** Darrell, where in the world have you

**Daryle Utama:** Darrell, where in the world have you not been?

**Denny Ku:** I can't wait for when we shave your head! You know it's inevitable.

Eric Zhang: Our brown bag was really fun! Here's to surviving 355 and 356 this semester!

**Erica Tsao:** High five for going shopping instead of sitting through the pain of the UT-OU game.

Eugene Hsiao: Now that the weather is cooling down, I guess we'll be seeing more of your vests!

Faisal Hasan: I'm really glad you were able to volunteer at so many events! Longhorn Lovin' all the

Fangy (Stephanie) Fang: I miss your cheerfulness in ABSA! We should catch up some time.

**Hans Malzar:** Now whenever I see Swedish Fish, I think you how those are your favorites.

**Heather Ha:** Keep up the great work! Don't let anyone call you anything other than Professional Director.

**Helen Lee:** Thanks for volunteering at Sunshine! Hope you had a wonderful time out in the sun.

**Jamie Roh:** Thanks for volunteering at Town Lake Animal Center! Hope to see you around more often.

**Jeff Zhao:** I always see you around the reliant. Love your Mickey Mouse shirt!

**Jeffrey Li:** You never fail to make people laugh whenever you make an announcement at GM.

**Jennifer Nguyen:** Thanks for taking so many pictures for Sunshine Community Gardens!

**Jennifer Tam:** You're my target... Not... Just Kidding!

**Jenny Chau:** I always see you around the business school! Hope your first semester has been great! **Jordan Naumann:** I think you definitely have the coolest last name by far.

**Josh Yap:** Please don't poison your competition when you run for officer.

Julie Jia: Don't think I won't drag you out to more ABSA events.

Karen Chen: Thanks for coming out to the Town
Lake Animal Center! Your bunny Joey is the cutest!
Ken Nguyen: Hey Big Sib! Can't wait for Sushi Night
+ Karaoke! As if we can't make it asian enough.

**Kevin Chu:** You're like a human jukebox! Is there any song you can't sing?



**Kevin Hwang:** Just admit it, Apollo Anton Ohno is secretly your hero.

**Kevin Nguyen:** You definitely get brownie points for having the best come backs.

**Kim Vu:** Hope you had fun at Sunshine Community Gardens! Thanks for always driving for us.

**Kyra Gallion:** I'm so excited for the first Informer! Thanks for all the hard work you put into the Informer!

Lee Wang: I like how intense you guys get when talking about the perfect brand for men's suits.

Ling Chang: I found out that DChao was trying to the perfect brand out that DChao was trying to the perfect brands.

**Ling Chang:** I found out that DChao was trying to hide in your car when you drove past us during KAB#1.

Louis Yu: We couldn't have cleaned up as fast if it weren't for your engineering skills during Sunshine!
Minji Kwon: Congrats on getting into a committee!!
Hope your SI sessions are going well!

Molly Sun: I'll try to make the EY joint volunteering event happen, so come volunteer then!

Natasha Suddhi: Yay for being awesome at bowling! Who needs a turkey anyways?

**Nathan Chen:** I think you're in one of my classes for MPA?

**Nook Truong:** Good luck with the Coed IM Football Playoffs!

Olive Hsiao: It's been a lot of fun taking Chinese classes with you. We should meet up for lunch!

**Paddy Cao:** That's so cool that you're from Australia! Definitely enjoyed our brown bag!

Patrick Chen: Hey Big Sib! I'm glad you've stopped repeating your beach ball story over and over again.

Patty Huang: So happy that you're a director again!

Can't wait for your Third-Gen Kid Workshop!

Pil Jeong: I still can't believe you never ate kimchi
when you lived in South Korea!

**Ran Liu:** Thanks for volunteering at Micah 6! Washing all those bottles wasn't that bad.

Richard He: Sorry for all the confusion I caused in Mafial It was fun while it lasted.

**Robert Huynh:** You're so busy this year! Are you still planning that Belize trip for LP? So jealous!

**Seong Yoon:** I'm really excited to get to visit Chicago for the first time!

**Shalin Dalal:** Congrats on getting into Texas Blazers! Thanks for being such an active member in ABSA! **Shan He:** I'm really glad you got to volunteer with us

Sherry Yang: Congrats on getting into a committee! Hope you're enjoying your sophomore year! Stephanie Qin: Thanks for always being there when I really needed your help! External love!!



**Taehoon Kim:** Great job with the Cultural Event with CSA! Keep up the great work!

**Tammy Tran:** Glad you got to volunteer with us at Micah 6!

**Tenzin Yulo:** Thanks for letting me know all the cool volunteering events around Austin!

**Terence Ko:** Awesome job as Professional Director! If only our officer white board drawings have somewhat of a resemblance to the actual officers.

**Thuy Do:** Hope you get to volunteer with us again soon!

**Tiffany Leong:** Glad we get to hang out at family events! Hope iTeam has been going well for you!

**Tim Lee:** It's really nice seeing you at so many events! I definitely miss last year's panel!

**Tracy Wing:** I can't wait to be done with all those Excel tests!

Victoria Chiem: Great job with all the socials! I can't wait for the scavenger hunt!

Vignesh Suthendran: Hope you're enjoying iTeam! I look forward to working with MDC in future events! Vincent Au: Glad that you were able to volunteer with us at ECC!

Vincent Nguyen: Thanks for grilling some of the best hamburgers and hot dogs in camping history!

Yinzhu Chen: Great job as Admin director! Hopefully the faces are starting to match the names.

### **Henry Shi**

**Amanda Almeda:** I hope you capture the good side of my face when you're taking photos/footage of ABSA events girl =P

Amanda Nguyendon: Yay! You're a director this year!!! I look forward to seeing what you can do!
Andy (Anh) Nguyen: Come out to play basketball again!!!

**Angela Chow:** The first girl in Financial Branch in a while... come out to more events!

Angela Eng: Do you still have that streak of red hair? Angela Huang: Hi fellow big sib... I don't see you around anymore at ABSA events... it's both sad and weird

Annie Lam: Hi director!!! Glad to see you in ABSA again this year in a bigger role!

Annie Li: How's Iteam coming along this year?
Anuj Khandelwal: Everytime we get questions in Finance I'm going to glare at you like you should know the answer

**Ariel Kao**: You have a very interesting quotes section on Facebook...

**Ashley Chang:** You're going to have to introduce me to Timmy Chan Band Music sometime...

**Ben Ross:** I seem to always see you dressed up for something or another

**Brenda Tran:** Hi fellow MPAer... come out to more ABSA events!!! I only see you at GMs!

**Brian Li:** Play basketball with us you absentee 4th year **Candace Tzeng:** Come out to more events!!!

Candice Shim: Where'd you go?

Cathy Shen: Hey Cathy!!! Hows your Sophomore year coming along?

Christine Lau: It's great seeing you around ABSA again for another year!

Cindy Khuu: Where'd you go? Cindy Lin: Where'd you go?

Cody Imamura: Back for another year of directorship in External Branch... better whip your newbie peers in shape

Connie Han: How was Hong Kong this summer? I heard you had a lot of fun

**Courtney Chen:** Hi family director... give the STUD MUFFINS more points please!

Crystal Cooper: Are you playing basketball for us this year?

Cybil Zhang: Interesting seeing you around in college... I still think you're in middle school sometimes

Dan Quach: Where'd you go?

**Daniel Chao:** Don't worry buddy, we'll drop out of MPA together

**Daniel Jong:** I can't believe you joined the new members during capture the flag

**Daniel Lawrence:** Hey Daniel, how you been? Haven't talked to you in a while

Danny An: I'll come to volleyball practice someday...

Daryle Utama: Singapore American School eh? My brother (he's 11) goes there right now actually... very nice... international school students FTW!

**David (Hui Sub) Shim:** Hahaha, you would put up your director photo on your Facebook... congrats on your director position!

**Denny Ku:** Your corgi has convinced Victoria that we somehow desperately need a dog

**Diana Meng:** Fellow Gleek. Keep those volunteering events coming!

**Dorothy Doan:** I see you around the B-school every now and then... whatcha been up to? How's DSP?

Dustin Le: Hi faithful old member!

Emily Kong: I swear I remember your name now Emily Lai: I keep thinking you'll be the one checking people in each Thursday

**Eric Allen:** I will keep encroaching on your Jester Territory... where have you been these past couple of weeks! Come out more!

Eric Tsang: Glad you're active as a big sib... now when Charles comes back, everyone will know him as Eric's Friend

Erica Chung: Great seeing you again old big sib!!!!
Erica Tsao: I swear you look like you and Felicia are related... oh wait... you are. =P

**Eugene Hsiao:** Thanks for the greek food and getting me killed.

Faisal Hasan: Hey! Awesome having you come out each week and your T-shirts are awesome

Fangy (Stephanie) Fang: Good luck with that McCombs Case Competition, I'm sure you'll do great! Felicia Tsao: Great seeing you come out again!!!! It's so exciting!!!

**Grace Kim:** I still think that you're nickname should have been Kim-chi... we've come a long way from freshman year at Cy-Falls huh?

**Grace Ko:** KoKo Puffs... I'm looking forward to those CFTs!!! And poor you for commuting all the time =(

Hans Malzar: It's funny to see you give tours around McCombs

Harrison Xue: Hi engineer! Hayley Jang: Where'd you go?

Heather Ha: Professional Director!!! You and

Terence need to learn how to draw!!! **Helen Lee:** Hi brownbag buddy! **Hue Dang:** Where'd you go?

**Hyungoo Kang:** Sexygoo/Hyunover... awesome Korean BBQ skills. Glad to see you on my panel

Jae Lee: Where'd you go?

Jamie Roh: Hope you had a lot of fun volunteering at Town Lake Animal Shelter with us! Come out to more volunteering events!

Jan Kim Ma: Where'd you go?

**Jason Jeng:** I really think that your hair gets puffier and puffier each time I see you

Jeanna Yu: Where'd you go??

**Jeff Li:** Hi Roomie!!! Less Starcraft 2 and more sleep for you!

**Jeff Zhao:** Come out to play basketball somemore!

Jen Tam: Wow... hi assassin...

**Jenny Chau:** Hi other cousin of Robert... I swear I keep meeting more and more of your extended family year after year...

**Jenny Che:** One of the few people who consistently RSVP to ABSA events on Facebook... I like it! **Jeremy Fang:** Hey buddy, great seeing you around

still!

Joanna Chou: Where'd you go?

Jocelyn Lee: Hi TA for B A 101H Johnny Lee: Re-join the Stud Muffin Family!!!

Johnny Lorn: Where'd you go? Jon Wong: I like the short hair

**Jonathan Chang:** You finally joined ABSA this year **Jordan Naumann:** Awesome seeing you at the meetings again this year!

Joseph Be: WAHOO!!! Hope the explore Austin community board event is going well!

Joseph Pao-Wu: Where'd you go?

Josh S. Hu: Tell me again why you aren't in my BHP peer mentor group? You can be an honorary member Josh Yap: Continuing the storied legacy of Financial Branch... we should grab lunch sometime

Julie Jia: Where'd you go?

Julie Lim: Come out to more events than just GMs!!!
Justin Liao: Where'd you go?

**Ka-Wai To:** I still find it amazing that you live in my old room... you should replace Robert as one of my 5 roomies next year

**Karen Chen:** Weeee!!! Great seeing you around again!!!

**Karen Shih:** BAKE ME FOOD GIRL! Either that or show me good places to chow down (and stop blocking me from feasting at Andrew's lol)

**Keith Chan:** Where'd you go? I miss those stick figures of yours on the board

**Kelsey Durham:** You deserve a spot on ESPN's Top 10 Plays for that Co-ed football catch...get pumped for basketball season girl!!!

**Ken Nguyen:** I'm not sure what to make of your current shaved look...I can't decide if I like it better than your old haircut or not

**Kevin Chu:** We should run around playing ultimate frisbee again sometime

**Kevin Hwang:** Let's play ball again bug muscle guy **Kevin Nguyen:** 

Hi-person-who-isn't-in-our-Stud-Muffin-Family-but-comes-out-to-our-events-:D

Khushboo Kamnani: Hope you're learning tons from C-team!

**Koosh Patel:** How's those newbie Iteamers coming along?

Lee Wang: Just to clarify, we did not go to Paris alone together... there were more people with us, I swear

Lily Nhoisaykham: Hi person with the ridonculously hard to pronounce last name. Cy-Fair School District awesomeness!!!

Ling Chang: Where'd you go?

Louis Yu: I swear I see Bob creeping around ABSA again. Don't worry, I'm starting to think of Bob as your brother and not the other way around

Louise Ho: Where'd you go this year?

Mary Ji: Judging by your profile picture, you're about 5 foot flat. ^^

**Mercedes Pang:** Your HP gift cards were awesome... got myself a mouse for just 1.91 after shipping and tax and everything

**Molly Sun:** :( skip photography class and come back to ABSA please

Monica Nguyen: Hi old officer... come out more!!! Volleyball too!!!

Mufeng Zhu: More bball on Fridays!!!

Nancy Xie: ACC356 stinks...

Natasha Suddhi: Hi Family Director!!! You know you want to give Stud Muffins all the points ^^

Nathan Chen: I'm expecting a beast of an alumni weekend buddy... and what are we doing in MPA again?

**Neil Grigg:** Feel like you're learning stuff from C-team?

Nook Truong: NOOK!!! Don't drop those catches butterfinger!!! Come out to play basketball sometime or lets go grab lunch!

Olive Hsiao: How's Iteam coming along? Paddy Cao: I'm still surprised by your Australian accent... I'll be visiting there this winter break with my family!

Parry Yang: Don't do MPA!!! It's not worth it Patrick Chen: Moar basketball please!!! Glad to see you being active in ABSA again ex-director of mine Patty Huang: Good job with the CSA workshop... and no, I did not cheat at all... my logic for staying in was perfectly sound

**Petra Koid:** Hey! How's Business Council? I heard you're doing quite well in it

**Pil Jeong:** Awesome seeing you at volunteering this past weekend... you should come out to more events more often!

Prashanth Ramasamy: Where'd you go?
Raymond Tran: Raymond!!! I miss seeing your
Accord around at Littlefield fountain during events!
Richard He: Had a lot of fun moving compost with
you at the Sunshine Community Gardens. We should
also grab lunch/play frisbee sometime

Rocky Bae: We should go grab a Don Juan again sometime... see who can finish it first... and yes, I'll steal all the salsa again

Sally Zheng: Where'd you go? Sanjay Gulati: Where'd you go?

Saurabh Kashyap: Hi Peer mentee... thinking of joining?

**Seong Yoon:** I expect a some really good CFT's this year!!!

**Shalin Dalal:** Help me in finance you 4:30 mile runner!

**Sharon Hsu:** Awesome seeing you as a big sib fellow Scotlander!!!

Sherry Yang: Hi person from New Mexico...hows your year going?

Sinya Chang: Where'd you go?

Sondra Batbold: I'm sure you know this by now, but you're my favorite Mongolian... in fact... you're the only Mongolian I know =P

**Stephanie Qin:** Yay!!! Its weird not being on the same panel this year =/

**Stephen He:** More Kens donuts at late nights please **Taehoon Kim:** I'm still not sure what to make of your profile picture...

Tammy Tran: Nice getting to meet you at New Member Retreat! Come out to more events!!!

**Terence Ko:** Learnhow to draw funny officer figures at GM boy. You can add that to your resume, "learned to draw stick figures"... lol

Thu Doan: Where'd you go?

Thuy Do: Doing Pre-pharm along with Business? That's legit

**Tiffany Kuo:** How's Yoshi and Randy doing?? Come out some more!

**Tiffany Leong:** How's learning how to compile DCF models at I-team?

**Tim Lee:** Hi former Prez... it's so weird seeing you sitting in the stands as a regular member... strange sight to see

Tina (Tian Yang) Dai: Hi peer mentee Tommy von Kuster: Where'd you go?

Tracy Wing: Hello person who suffers through ACC359 with me...glad you're in active in ABSA this year.

Van Dang: Stop getting sacked all the time in football Victoria Chiem: Hi FIRST LADY OF ABSA... AKA BABES... AKA POOH-BEAR... let's get that puppy!!! Vigesh Suthendran: How's ABSA compared to MDC eh Prez?

Vincent Nguyen: Heard you had a heck of a lot of fun this year at ACL

Will Chang: You're becoming quite the regular at the basketball courts on Fridays

**Yinni Yinzhu Chen:** Keep up the good work Ms. Administrative Director!

Youngsik Kim: More basketball!!!
Yue Xu: Hi Peer Mentee!!!

### **Karen Shih**

Consulting Team: We need to hang out more French Toast Mafia: Lovely lil' sibs, I hope you're all enjoying our family bonding time. Don't hesitate to ask your big sibs for help on anything!

Alice Lee: Hey cutie, thanks for coming out to our family events!

Angela Chow: It was fun ushering with you! I want s'more s'mores... haha.

**Angela Eng:** Thanks for always sharing your delectable sweet treats!

**Angela Huang:** I see pictures of all the stuff you sew and I'm so jealous of your artistic talents!

Anthony Dang: What the heck... I remember you saying you'd be more active this year!

**Becky Luu:** Sorry we met the way we did :p **Brandon Chang:** You can finally relax after your exam! Time to hit 6th?

**Cassandra Chew:** Little sib! I just found out that I know your sister Christina haha.

Cathy Shen: You're always so energetic and enthusiastic!

Connie Han: Charles told me about your love for pens

Daniel Chao: I like your fake nerdy chic glasses. Danny An: You're a cool kid. Thanks for being active in French Toast!



**Daryle Utama:** You so gangsta, Darrell. Show off your rapping skills one of these days!

**Denny Ku:** Can you bring your puppy to all ABSA events from now on? Tehe

**Diana Meng:** Thanks for always sticking up for me when the others pick on me... you have some good comebacks:p

Dustin Le: I never see you DT anymore... did you retire?

Emily Kong: Hope you enjoyed Gourdough's Eric Tsang: Member of the month. I still can't believe you called me the wrong name after years of friendship.

**Erica Chung:** I love all the cool stuff you send for weekly emails!

Eugene Hsiao: You're always there for me, bestie <3 Faisal Hasan: I'm glad you're so active in ABSA! Grace Ko: Koko Puffs! My hair does NOT grow fast:)

**Grace Kim:** You're probably the only person who loves sweets as much as me:p

**Heather Ha:** Great job with running GMs so far! **Helen Lee:** Thanks for being so patient with the deadline for shoutouts!

**Henry Shi:** Will you drink this bottle of hot sauce for \$20?

**Hyungoo Kang:** Stop making fun of me so much. You make me cry.

**Jason Jeng:** How come I haven't seen you around ABSA in a while?

Jeff Li: How's that Starcraft league going?

**Jenny Che:** I'm so glad you're one of my directors! Keep up the great work:D

**Jen Tam:** Sister from another mister. You're so much fun. Fatties for life!

Jeremy Fang: You're so mean to me...

Johnny Lorn: We never baked together!

**Josh Hu:** Your family needs to stop cheating. I'm keeping my eye on you :p

Joshua Yap: Can you convince Hyungoo to treat us all to Fogo?

**Julie Lim:** Hey Julie! Thanks for saying that I don't look old haha.

**Karen Chen:** Name twin <3 What's our next cultural adventure?

**Ka-Wai To:** I love your delayed responses to all our jokes. 20 seconds later... "HA HA HA!"

Khristine Dinh: Hey girl, another froyo date soon? Keith Chan: We should hang out more, neighbor.

**Ken Nguyen:** YOU'RE AWESOME. That's all. **Kelsey Durham:** I hope you're not still sick... it's been months!

**Kevin Chu:** I'm glad you're making the most out of the Mentorship Program!

**Kevin Hwang:** What's it like working with Ka-Wai? Is he really obsessed with Korean guys?

**Kevin Nguyen:** Apparently you're quite the family whore. How come you haven't come by French Toast's events?

Ling Chang: I miss seeing you! Make time for me? Louis Yu: Awesome job with the website and forum: D

Mercedes Pang: Secret Santa from last year... thanks for the cupcake. I NEVER forget when someone gives me sweets! Haha

**Molly Sun:** I hear your family does Workout Wednesdays... can I come? :p

Nathan Chen: I didn't know you could eat so much. At least you didn't get on Andrew Ma's blacklist haha. Paddy Cao: You have a really cool Australian accent! Patrick Chen: Took you a while to finally come out of the closet...

Petra Koid: I'm really glad you like your mentor!
Pil Jeong: When are you wearing your pink suit to
ABSA?

**Ran Liu:** Hey lil sib, hope you're enjoying all our family events.

Richard He: New gay best friend, let's do yoga together?

Robert Huynh: Can your family open up some froyo stores in Austin? Tehe

San Nguyen: I can't believe you're legally a midget haha.

**Sean Zhou:** Hey lil sib! Come out to more family events pretty please!

Shalin Dalal: Did your nickname Chanel ever catch

**Stephen He:** Thanks for driving us DT that one night! Even though we had just met:p

**Sondra Batbold:** I call dibs on whatever dessert you bake next!

**Stephanie Qin:** Are you still going to volunteering events this year? Haha

**Tracy Wing:** T-Wing! I like making fun of Darrell with you

**Tammy Tran:** It was great meeting you through brown bag!

**Terence Ko:** I love your beautiful illustrations of the officers for GMs. I didn't know I had spiky hair.

**Tim Lee:** Now that the grandpa of the panel is gone... they've nicknamed me the grandma

**Tiffany Leong:** Pretty lady, come out to more family events please!

Vincent Nguyen: I didn't know you were such an awesome chef. I'm so glad we're friends;)

### **Eric Tsang**

Angela Eng: Hey Cupcake hahaha

Angela Huang: Hopefully we don't fail management!

Connie Han: CORPORTATE
Candice Shim: SUPPLY CHAIN!
Daniel Chao: Don't drop MPA!

Daryle Utama: I'm going to make sure you get into BHP! If not, you can go back to South Africa!

Diana Meng: Thanks for voting for me! Don't drop MPA either!

Dustin Le: See you on Twitter!

Eric Tsang: Member of the month. You deserved it, you're the best MOTM ever!

Erica Chung: We're so old!
Erica Tsao: Hey taller Felicia! :)

Eugene Hsiao: EUGENIE IN A BOTTLE!

Felicia Tsao: Hey shorter Erica:)



Grace Ko: Your Korean karaoke skills are so cool

Grace Kim: Connie says you're pretty;)

**Henry Shi:** Connie says, "I think you are hot" **Hyungoo Kang:** Thanks for voting for me! Unless you didn't...

Karen Shih: I can't believe we're seniors! It's gone by so fast!

Karen Chen: | IGGLE | IGGLE!

**Ka-Wai To:** Stop pretending to be my mom **Ken Nguyen:** If a had a dollar for every time you asked to borrow my ID...

Kelsey Durham: I want nobody nobody but you! Molly Sun: You should come to GM more often! Patrick Chen: I can't believe you're my big sib...

Robert Hyunh: Your driving scares me

**Sondra Batbold:** Eugenie said you are powerful, I am intrigued!

Fangy: Mosburger! STICKER PICTURES! Stephanie Qin: I love making up answers on our accounting hw!

Terence Ko: Ter Bear.

**Tim Lee:** I can't believe you are the only person in class to vote to not push the exam back!

Vincent Nguyen: Fellow ABSA-er of the month! Victoria Chiem: I promise i will stop calling you the first lady

Charles Lai: People will call you Eric when you get back!

Sandy Duong: Ahhhhhcounting!

Monica Nguyen: You're my go to person for the tax track!

**Everyone else:** Sorry if I missed you, I wrote these on my iPad during GM and I just used Karen Shih's list, but I promise, I didn't forget you!

### SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING

### October

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- 10/4 Mentorship Info Session
- Co-ed/Men s Football 10/6
- **ABSA Meeting**
- 10/7
- 10/8 New Member Retreat TASA Night Market
- Volunteering #3: Micah 6 Football Practice
  - CSA Mid-Autumn Festival
- 10/10 Bowling Social
- **Old Member Retreat** 
  - Mentorship Series Workshop Volleyball Practice
- 10/13 Volunteering #4: ECC **Cultural Evening with CSA**
- Co-ed/Men s Football
- 10/14 **ABSA Meeting** 
  - Old vs. New Member CTF
- 10/15 Fantastic Friday #1
- Volunteering #5: Micah 6 10/16
  - Volunteering #6: Sunshine Gardens
- Alumni Coffee Chat with Andrew Ma 10/19 I-Team Workshop
  - Volleyball Game
- 10/21 ABSA Meeting
- 10/22 Family Scavenger Hunt
- **ABSA Ushering** 10/23
- 10/24 GAM #3
- 10/26 Volleyball Game
- 10/28 ABSA Meeting
- 10/29 Volunteering #7: Starbright Halloween
- Volunteering #8: UUMC Soup Kitchen 10/30
- 10/31 Volunteering #9: Longhorn Halloween

### November

- 11/1 I ABSA Bake Sale
  - Consulting Team Workshop #1
- 11/2 **Volleyball Game**
- 11/4 **ABSA Meeting**
- 11/5 Social
- 11/8 **ABSA Bake Sale** 
  - Consulting Team Workshop #2
- **ExploreUT Sports Management** 11/9 **Volleyball Game**
- 11/10 **ExploreUT - Textiles and Apparel**

### Alumni Weekend (11/11-11/13)

- 11/11 **ABSA Meeting: Alumni Panel**
- 11/12 Fantastic Friday #2
- 11/13 Volunteering #10: Capital Food Bank Family Mixer Karaoke
- 11/15 **ABSA and Roden Scholars Case Competition Kickoff**
- 11/16 Gateway to Asia - Intl. Education Week Workshop
  - **Volleyball Game**
- 11/18 **ABSA Meeting**
- 11/20 **ABSA and Roden Scholars Case** Competition

  - Volunteering #11: KAB #2
  - **Thanksgiving Potluck**
- 11/23 Volleyball Game
- 11/25 **ABSA Meeting**
- 11/30 **International Affairs Workshop Mentorship Series Event #2** 
  - **Volleyball Game**

### December

- 12/2 | ABSA Meeting
- 12/3 **Gingerbread House**
- 12/4 Volunteering #12: Orange Santa
- 12/5 **Fall EOS Banquet**
- 12/6-7 **Feed Your Mind**
- 12/7 Volleyball Game
- **ABSA Meeting** 12/9
- 12/16 ABSA Meeting

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