

Letter From the Editors

Hello ABSA,

Thank you for a great semester!

From a revamped LAUNCH Conference to the first ever Networking Reception, ABSA has grown tremendously this year. We hope that you will look to this Informer as a celebration of all that you have accomplished as an organization thus far, and as inspiration to achieve even further success.

We would like to take a moment to thank the all the people that have help make the Informer possible. Thank you to Daphne, Cindy, and Nhi – your work as Media Directors is invaluable:). Thank you to everyone who contributed shoutouts or articles to the Informer – we really appreciate the time you took out of your holidays for this. And thank you to the Officers and Directors that make all of the ABSA events possible – you are truly a great group of leaders!

Here's to another great semester!

Your Informer Editors,

Jenna Lin & Vickie Wang

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Internships. Internships. Internships. You constantly hear this word thrown around the business school. In fact, it is a requirement for all McCombs students to have an internship sometime during their college career. So of course, ABSA provided its members with an internship panel so that they could learn everything there is to know about internships!

Four upperclassmen were on the panel, including Christine Lau, Henry Shi, Terence Ko, and Ka-Wai To. Christine Lau had a supply chain internship with HP, Henry Shi had an accounting internship with Pricewaterhouse Coopers, Terence Ko had an MIS internship with AMD, and Ka-Wai To had an investment banking internship with Lazard.

All the upperclassmen offered valuable insight to our members

GM#7:

Deloitte.

By: Jenny Li

The hype for big-four accounting firm Deloitte's general meeting was in full swing before the meet-

firms in the world. Many nonmembers were also in attendance—the room was filled to capacity!

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GM#6:

INTERNSHIP PANEL

about the different industries that they did their internship in. Members learned a bout the long hours at invest-



them get their internships!

ment banking firms, the challenges that interns deal with on a daily basis, the life of an auditor, and much more! They told our members about different ways to get internships, such as McCombs Job Board and On-Campus Recruiting. Finally, they talked about how ABSA helped

ing even started. Due to the heavy

presence of accounting and MPA

ABSA majors, GSB 2.124 was packed

with members eager to learn more

about one of the largest profession-

Internships are a great way to learn about different industries, get work experience, and make money along the way! Many internships often lead to full time offers! ABSA, go get those internships!

A special perk were the numerous diverse representatives Deloitte brought in, ranging from first-year staff to partners. These different representatives could each offer us a unique and valuable perspective into the company. Multiple opportunities for ABSA members were also pitched throughout the meeting, including Deloitte's Alternative Spring Break and NextGen Leaders Program.

Members were very engaged throughout the entire presentation and had great conversations with the representatives, with many staying behind far after the general meeting had concluded. All in all, this was one of our most successful GM's of the year!

GM#8: accenture

By: Josh Hu

What is management consulting? Do consultants travel a lot? What type of person is fit to be a consultant? All these questions were answered during this general meeting!

Accenture, one of our new sponsors this year, came to speak at our eighth general meeting of the year. Accenture is a global management consulting, technology services and outsourcing company that serves more than three-quarters of the Fortune 500. Basically, Accenture helps other companies improve their performance by offering their advice and expertise.

The representatives from Accenture showed us a cool video about Accenture and gave us a very informative presentation about management consulting. Consultants visit their clients and often travel Monday through Thursday. The reason why management consulting is appealing to many college students is because you learn so much about different industries! The interview process is pretty intense as well, consisting of both behavior and case interviews. Finally, consultants usually have strong interpersonal skills because they give

presentations to their clients on

a regular basis.



Those interested in working for Accenture should talk to Grace Kim and Henry Shi, two former ABSA presidents who are working for Accenture full-time!



GM#9: Alumni Panel

By: Luther Fan

This year, we were very lucky to have alumni from three very different backgrounds join us. The alumni panel featured Accenture partner Andrew Vo, Maxim engineer Max Ma, and former Executive VP and aspiring event planner Karen Shih.

To help introduce us to the alumni, Alumni Directors David Wang and Sam Lehardi split us into teams with alum assigned to each. We then played an arousing game of Family Feud from which Max Ma's team came away victorious.

Afterwards, David and Sam led a discussion where Andrew. Max. and Karen were able to talk about their histories and lessons they've learned. With such varied backgrounds, all three alumni had unique and enlightening insight on their professional careers and how ABSA helped them reach where they were today.

One of the highlights of the GM

was one of Andrew Vo's celebrity encounter stories. While at dinner with Accenture new hires, Andrew followed Ryan Gosling into the restroom of the restaurant to ask him for a picture with the new hires. Although Ryan Gosling had to turn him down, Andrew's retelling of the story was one of the most memorable parts of the GM.

The Alumni Panel GM was a success and a great way to kick off Alumni Weekend!



By: Vickie Wang

a signal, J&K having their traditional sign and Best Chicken Fried Steak with their unusual wing flaps. Most amusing was Your Family's choice of mocking Hulk's Smash traditional move by copying it, but with less vigor.

The second game was a Thanksgiving battle, in celebra-

tion of the upcoming break. One member from each family had to dress up and act as either an Indian or a turkey. Given ten minutes and multi-colored papers, tape, and scissors, families scrambled to assemble the best costume for their little sib. In the end, Jonathan's turkey costume and performance won the judges. Following the meeting, ABSA moved to Spicy Pickle for benefit night, where everyone was relaxed, chatting, and waiting for the upcoming Thanksgiving break.

The family meeting started off in a normal fashion. The officers, dressed casually, announced the future events and current events. Immediately following the last slide, the ABSA Assassins showdown began, the end of a month-long battle of backstabbing and distrust between fellow ABSA members, where friends became enemies and enemies became friends. The remaining contestants were Richard He, Robert Huynh, and Sherry Zeng. Unfortunately, amidst some confusion, Sherry was killed rather quickly with a toothbrush. Interrupting the final fight, a man stood up and brought a bag to the middle of the room, revealing a pair of Nerf guns. Equipped with the weapons, Richard and Robert battled it out, but Richard ultimately won.

After the showdown, the family GM began. The first was King Elephant, where the families had to use their hand coordination, quick reflexes, and strategic planning in order to not mess up the beat. Each family got to choose



Family GM #2





By: Janet Zhou

Excitement and anticipation filled the GM room as the officers lined up for announcements. Everyone knew that today was the big day that our new Mr. ABSA would be chosen. Today was also the day that the members would get to hear presentations from all the different teams that ABSA has—Finance, Consulting, and Marketing.

Each team gave informational but











By: Jenna Lin

This was the last GM of the semester! After this one last ABSA moment of fun and frivolity, we would spend the next few weeks camped out in our rooms (or the PC) frantically cramming for finals. Afterwards, we would all be leaving Austin and returning to our hometowns for a well deserved winter break.

Luckily, this Christmas themed Family GM gave us one last opportunity to come together with our ABSA families and celebrate the holiday cheer. Many of the memGM #11:

Mr McCombs Auditions/

Meet the Teams

presentations taining show by our four hand-

also interesting presentations that really gave everyone a better idea of what they do on a regular

basis. Unlike the different director positions, the team members do their work mostly behind the scene, so this was a great opportunity for them to display what they have been working on for the past semester. Their presentation was also a down-to-earth way to show members the other avenues and opportunities that ABSA provides.

After the team presentations, we were able to witness an enter-

some Mr. ABSA candidates. Regan Wang opened it up with his smooth dance moves that had remained on the down-low until then. Next, we were graced with Klevrin Sitohang's stand-up comedy that brought the crowd into fits of laughter. Vincent Au's interpretive mash-up dance was also a delightful entertainment for the members. Finally, Isoken Omoruyi's original song with Taehoon Kim brought the entire room together in singing and clapping. GM#11 was definitely a night to remember for everyone in the room.

bers were decked out in their "ugly" Christmas sweaters for this event. The family directors also prepared a special Christmas themed game for all the families to play!

The meeting was off to an exciting start. Right after announcements Administrative Branch ambushed their officer, Helen Lee, with a cake and happy birthday song – it was her 21st birthday! Afterwards, we continued the celebration with a song for Professional VP, Janet Zhou – her birthday was the next day!



After the announcements and birthday well wishes, the family directors introduced us to the family game for this GM. The game was one we were already familiar with. Each family would take turns singing a song that fit the Christmas theme and would be eliminated if they failed to come up with a new song. Family after family was eliminated until Hulk Smash emerged as the victors!

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LAUNCH

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

By: Luther Fan

On November 2, many ABSA members woke up at 5 a.m. to catch an early ride on a coach bus. ABSA was headed to the 2012 LAUNCH Leadership Conference!

This year's LAUNCH Leadership Conference was one of many firsts. For the first time ever, the conference was being held in Dallas, TX. In addition, there were almost 30 students from UTD in attendance, making it the first time that non-UT students were attending LAUNCH. Lastly, this year's conference was sponsored by General Electric, KPMG and ConocoPhillips, making it the first time that ABSA was able to secure corporate sponsorship for the event.

The conference started off with group networking activities. The students from UT and UTD were given a chance to meet each other by participating in various icebreakers. After the activities, Brian Mc-Garvey, senior HR manager at GE,

delivered the keynote speech. He er scale. spoke on various topics regarding effective leadership. Mr. McGarvey connected his speech with his experiences at GE to make his speech more enlightening.

After a short lunch courtesy of GE, the first workshop began. Bob Cancalosi, the Chief Learning Officer of GE Healthcare, spoke about the top growth traits for leaders. Mr. Cancalosi was an entertaining speaker and had years of experience and insight on the professional world. At this end of his presentation, he challenged each of the participants to contact him in a year to update him on their growth as leaders.

The second workshop was led by Josh Pratt, the head accounting and finance recruiter at ConocoPhillips. The theme of his workshop was "Lowercase Leadership" and dealt with leadership arising from everyday actions. As part of his workshop, participants played in various card games and asked to note how leadership played a role on a small-

Finally, the last activity of the conference was a case study. Participants were given an hour to discuss a case within their groups. Although the case was difficult, many groups bravely volunteered to present their solutions and received valuable feedback from representatives from KPMG. After the presentations, there was a short networking session where the participants could talk to the representatives from KPMG and GF.

Thanks to the guidance and initiative taken by Academic VP Jessica McCarthy, this year's LAUNCH Leadership Conference was a great success! Project Managers Luther Fan and Eunji Seo also assisted with the logistics of the conference. Special thanks also go out to James Eng from GE, who helped ABSA with nearly every step of the process.







Fall Networking Reception



By: Regan Wang

Talk about making history. In the spirit of ABSA's "make history" theme for this year, the mighty Executive branch shook the world with the first annual Fall Networking Reception.

Designed to introduce students to the corporate environment, the reception provided the opportunity for attendees to foster a strong networking relationship with influential corporate representatives while representatives promoted their respective companies to the diverse community of ABSA. The evening began with casual chatter amongst attendees and representatives, followed by formal introductions by company representatives and continued conversations throughout the night. Representatives from AIM Real Estate Group, ALM Financial Advisory Services, Aon Hewitt, and Brinson-RFG shared their unique perspectives on the corporate world while also offering all sorts of insight and advice. Students listened attentively and eagerly asked questions when the opportunity presented itself. Even as the reception came to a close, the dialogues continued, extending beyond the scheduled time as business cards were handed out and contact information exchanged. Indeed, the first Fall Networking Reception (ever) was a success.

Many thanks to the representatives who took time out of their day to share their experiences with us, to the volunteers who arrived early and helped throughout the reception, to the attendees for coming out and supporting the event, and to the SAC events planning personnel who authorized our use of the ballroom. The relaxed ambience enhanced an evening of well-dressed people, valuable conversations. sorbet punch, and cubed cheeses. Yup, cubed cheeses. You bet it was classy.

MOCK INTERVIEW MARATHON

By: Sarah Qin

As a freshman at UT, the only interview practice I have had at college so far was when I applied for a director position in ABSA. Thus, the mock interview marathon was the perfect opportunity for me to sharpen up my interview skills! I didn't do much to prepare for the mock interview other than update my resume, so I didn't have the highest expectations of myself going in. Each of the interviewers who participated in the mock interview

marathon was an accomplished upperclassman in ABSA, so I knew I was in good hands. I was notified about my interview time slot a couple days in advance, but I didn't know who my interviewer was until I actually walked in. To my surprise, it was none other than my big sib Taehoon! My immediate reaction was "oh crap!"—all those times when I teased him and called him Mama Kim was going to bite me in the butt! For 20 minutes, our JK (#1 family) bond was set aside for a more professional one. The gues-



tions he asked me applied to all kinds of settings, and while I felt confident about some of them, there were definitely some areas that needed improvement. Taehoon gave me all kinds of awesome advice that I will definitely remember for future interviews! All in all, the event was very well run, so kudos to all the interviewers, interviewees and of course, the fabulous professional branch for putting it all together!

Google Apps Workshop

By: Kelvin Nguyen

I've used various Google apps, like Gmail, Calendar and Google Docs (now Google Drive), for quite some time now and I've always been curious to see how Google would improve their apps over time. Well, it turns out I haven't even taken advantage of all that the apps already had to offer.

Aside from the general rundown of how to use each of their main apps, namely the ones I just mentioned in addition to Google Hangout,

the representatives from Google showed us more specific features within each app. The one that interested me the most was the filter feature within Gmail (located under the "Manage Labels" link). It turns out that Gmail had a feature that allowed a user to filter email as they arrived in their inbox, letting the system automatically organize incoming email based on just about any criteria; like whom the email was sent from, specific words present in the email, or even the lack of certain words. Had I known about this sooner, I would have saved a lot

of time on organizing or searching for specific emails over the years.

There was actually quite a bit that was covered during this workshop; certainly nothing something I could entirely retell in an article. Attend the next Google workshop should the opportunity arise, you won't be disappointed. If anything, if you're like me, you'd wish you had gone sooner.

Brain Health Workshop

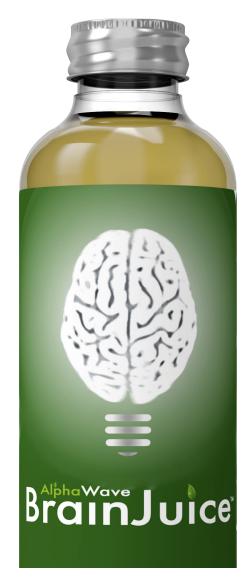
By: Jenna Lin

For their second workshop of the year, Academic Branch hosted the Brain Health workshop, featuring Brain Juice, a local Austin startup. When I first heard about the workshop, I wasn't really sure what to expect. Would we be learning about techniques to improve our personal brain health? Or would this workshop have more of an entrepreneurial perspective – sharing the journey that the founders took in order to create Brain Juice?

It turns out that the workshop contained elements of both health and business related learning. Sam Elick, current CEO of Brain Juice and UT alum, spent the first part of the

workshop sharing his personal journey to a healthy lifestyle. He talked about his college diet of energy drinks and fast food – and the negative effects it had on his life. Only when he entered business school did he begin to take care of himself through healthy diet and exercise.

Sam's personal journey to a healthy lifestyle gave him the inspiration to create Brain Juice – a natural energy tonic that would help one stay focused in place of traditional energy drinks or caffeine. Sam left us with an inspirational message about health and entrepreneurship: take something that has helped you in your personal life and turn it into a business. If it has helped you, it will probably help someone else!



Elections Workshop

By: Jackson Pei

On Wednesday, October 17th, I hosted my first workshop. I hoped this workshop could help inform ABSA's members about the very important 2012 Presidential Election. For the Elections Workshop, we brought in Peter Trubowitz as our main speaker. He is a government professor at UT, and he specializes in international relations and US foreign policy.

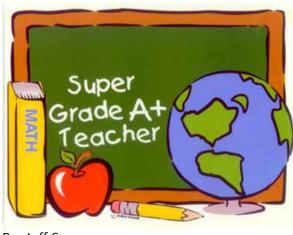
Professor Trubowitz started with a lecture that focused on some of the issues the president would have to deal with in the future overseas. I found myself wondering about the impact international relations could

play in the elections and how each candidate would answer these issues if they became president. Furthermore he showed us some interesting ad campaigns that were approved by each candidate. Although I wasn't very strong in either direction with my political views, I got to understand the tactics the candidates had to use in order to run in their respective parties.

During the second half the workshop, Professor Trubowitz started the Q&A session. I remember Dr. Trubowitz answered a question that was something along the lines



of "How could this election directly impact us as college students?" He explained to us that candidates had to target our demographic with job availability out of college, financial aid, and better education in general. By the end of the workshop, I began to start thinking in the shoes of each candidate and prepared me for the upcoming presidential debate.



By: Jeff Su

Dr. Winslow is one of the most renowned professors here at the McCombs School of Business. As a professor in the management department, he teaches the business communications course to students. The course's objective is to help make his students become more winsome, tenacious, and competent business communicators. He brought this attitude to AB-SA's office hours with Dr. Luke Win-

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to our attention the fact that there was not a lot of diversity in the room. His first piece of advice was to

try to encourage more non-Asians to join ABSA in order to create an atmosphere that is culturally diverse. Dr. Winslow also told us a little about his background growing up in Seattle and going to college in California. After California, he came to UT to get his Ph.D in communications. He also works as a communications consultant on the side for major companies. Furthermore, Dr. Winslow discussed the topic of the bamboo ceiling as

well the glass ceiling. The glass ceiling deals with the issue of women climbing the corporate ladder in a company while the bamboo ceiling deals with Asian minorities climbing the corporate ladder in a company. Lastly, Dr. Winslow talked about the research aspect of his job. He wrote a thesis on why there are so few African American quarterbacks in the NFL. He found that most African American quarterbacks rely on their athletic ability their whole life and once they get to the NFL where everyone is just as athletic, the African American quarterbacks get discouraged and don't try. Office hours was definitely worth going to!

Mentorship Program Info Session

By: Mei-Lynn Hua

ABSA members gathered in a 4th floor CBA room eager to learn about the Mentorship Program for the 2012-2013 school year. Morgan Hah and Yiwen Xu, the Executive Directors spearheading the program, prepared a presentation that informed and encouraged members to apply to the program. This year, the program is focused on building personal as well as professional relationships and hopes to strengthen the bonds between each mentor and mentee. Whether it be on a virtual or a local level, the program seeks to identify students enthusiastic about discovering who they are and improving their professional skills and matches them up with experienced corporate professionals. Many of these mentors are local ABSA alumni or corporate recruiters ready to provide insight and give back to the ABSA community.

In the presentation, the Executive Directors stressed how you could ask the mentors any type of question, whether it be a serious or casual one. Some of their examples of questions included "How do you pick up a girl?" and "What was your

biggest shock after graduating from UT?". Throughout the presentation, Yiwen and Morgan repeated that the success of the program is dependent on what you make of it. Mentorship is a privilege and it is important to have mutual respect between each mentor and mentee. If the relationship between the two is nurtured properly, the mentor can be someone you can turn to outside of this year. Excited about the opportunities awaiting them, the members asked questions about the application process to be part of the program.



Mentorship Program Workshop #1

By: Morgan Hah

Excitement hung in the air (or maybe that was the mouth-watering aroma of the delicious "mmmpanadas" catered for the night) as mentees and mentors prepared to meet for the first Mentorship Workshop of the year. Hosted by the always lovely Executive Directors Yiwen Xu and Morgan Hah on a cool November night, this workshop was the first opportunity for selected ABSA members to meet their mentors in person. Mentees and mentors trickled in one by one to find a special surprise on their nametags. The ultimate plot twist was a small symbol, unique to each mentorship pair. As the cheese found their way to their wine (mentor) and the milk to their cereal, this innovative plot twist made for unforgettable first impressions. Morgan introduced the second activity of the night: conversational beach balls. Each pairing received a beach ball covered in handwritten prompts ranging in every subject area from "Deliver your favorite pick-up line", to "One piece of professional advice you wish you knew in college". Mentors and mentees tossed the ball back and forth, having to answer the question upon which their thumbs land-

ed. After several minutes of surely scintillating conversations, attendees took a small break to devour the delectable, unforgettable "mmmpanadas". The workshop got down to business with a competition between each mentor in the form of a case question. Attendees furiously raced to accurately estimate the number of iPads

sold in the United States in one day, without the use of any outside sources-read Google. Various forms of rapid shouting, scribbling, and to the observing directors hilarity, ensued. The night quietly wound down after the winners were announced—spoiler alert, the answer is 100,000- and mentors and mentees alike went home excited for all of the adventures and discoveries in store for the coming semesters.



By: Morgan Hah

It had been a busy week for the Executive Branch, having hosted the Fall Networking Reception the very night before the Mentorship Social. This, of course, could not hinder Mei-Lynn and her fabulous Executive Directors Yiwen Xu and Morgan Hah. The Mentorship Social occurs only once a semester as an opportunity for mentees and mentors in Executive's Mentorship Program to fraternize in a less pressured environment. On the eve of November 28. mentees were instructed to

Mentorship Program Social

bring their A-game and charisma for a night of bowling and billiards with their mentors. After convening in front of McComb's Special Events Room, the entourage of mentees and mentors walked over to the Union Underground for a few hours of study-free, stress-free bonding time. Many of the mentors were kind enough to purchase games of bowling, so invaluable networking occurred over a little (or a lot) bit of friendly competition. Although a slight majority of program par-

ticipants were found downstairs screaming at the tops of their lungs in both frustration and celebration, several attendees spent the evening learning and impressing their mentorship counterparts at the billiard tables. After ninety minutes indulging in games and the various desserts and cheeses provided, mentors and mentees alike were saddened to leave the Union. Parties split in almost all directions, with some headed back to McCombs and others to the Drag, and another successful Executive Branch event went down in the history books as the perfectly balanced night of interaction and mentorship.



Mentorship Program Workshop #2

By: Daphne Thammasila

Empanadas. Mentors. Resumes. Interviews. If you put all of this together, what do you get? The mentorship program workshop #2! On December 5th amidst tests, projects, and presentations, members in the mentorship program gathered to develop their resumes and interview skills. People slowly filtered into the room with growling stomachs so mentors and mentees ate some delectable empanadas — giving everyone a chance to catch up!

The workshop started with the mentors individually reviewing each of their mentee's resumes. Mentors offer an inside perspective on the minds of recruiters, so members were hanging on every word of advice their mentors were

doling out. Afterwards, mentors gave valuable advice on how to excel in an interview. Here's a tip from my mentor: get as much practice as possible!

Towards the end of the workshop, the mentors were put to the test as one of our lovely executive directors Yiwen Xu interviewed each one. As the mentors were being interviewed, they gave tidbits of advice on how to be remembered by interviewers. After each interview, members and other mentors talked about what especially stood out in each interview. For example, one of the mentors mentioned that he played water polo to spice up his interview. The mentors were so impressive that they were offered jobs on the spot!



Houston C77

By: Jenny Li

On the morning of Friday, October 19, while the rest of campus slept, 20 suits groggily made their way to Littlefield Fountain. The occasion? ABSA's Houston CFT! Attendees would spend the rest of the weekend touring ConocoPhilips' and Ernst & Young's Houston offices while getting the chance to bond with other members. First up on the agenda was a visit to ConocoPhilips' global headquarters. ABSA was greeted by lead campus recruiter Josh Pratt who hosted a special presentation and proceeded to lead a tour of the company's vast campus. Members learned of opportunities within ConocoPhilips and also had the chance to network with current professionals. After an informative morning at ConocoPhilips, ABSA headed across town to visit global accounting giant, Ernst & Young. When we arrived, we were greeted by campus recruiter Natalie Clogston and our very own ABSA alumni, Molly Sun, who had planned a special presentation tailored for our members' interests. Attendees left with a clear idea of the potential opportunities within E&Y for current members and a swag bag full of E&Y goodies! After a day jam-packed with professional development, members relaxed and filled their bellies with delicious food during the Alumni dinner at Chinatown hotspot Café 101. The rest of the trip was comprised of sightseeing around Houston, late night games of Mafia, and delicious dim sum. Overall, the members who attended agreed that this CFT was a great introduction to ABSA's professional aspirations and an opportunity to create unforgettable memories with friends.



ACC311 COURSE AID

By: Luther Fan

To help ABSA members prepare for their classes, Academic Branch periodically holds Course Aids throughout the semester. Course Aids are informal study sessions that bring members together to study for a test. For our most recent Course Aids session, the topic was ACC 311, or Financial Accounting. Since ACC 311 is one of the more rigorous classes in the business school.

students filled the PCL Group Study room to perform some collaborative last-minute cramming for the test. Luckily for the study group, accounting is a popular major among ABSA upperclassmen — MPA students Eric Allen and Denny Ku were available to help explain difficult concepts such as PP&E, contra-revenue accounts, and depreciation. Within a few hours, the help that Eric and Denny provided clarified a number of accounting topics and

made the study group more confident for the test!

This Course Aid was just one of many that Academic Branch puts on throughout the semester. Keep an eye out for future study sessions in the spring semester and feel free to make a recommendation if you are interested in having one for a specific class!

STARBRIGHT HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

By: Jessica McCarthy

On the morning of Friday, October 26th, ABSA members gathered to travel to the Starbright Pre-School and Kindergarten. Unlike the many warm days that month, that morning truly felt like fall. The air was cold, the sky was gray, and the ground was covered in fallen brown leaves.

As it was the last Friday before Halloween, Starbright had invited the parents of the students to attend a Halloween festival with their children. ABSA assisted the Starbright teachers in running the event. Activities ranged from apple-picking and a bean-bag toss to face-painting, pumpkin-decorating, and more. Best of all, the students were

all dressed in adorable Halloween costumes!

I worked at the face-painting station. Mostly, I painted normal Halloween things, such as pumpkins, spiders, and black cats; however, I also got some interesting requests. One cute little witch asked me to put a

skull and cross bones above her eyebrow. Another asked for a half-pink, half-blue ghost with red eyes on her hand. While that would seem strange to older people, the children were not bothered at all. I could not help but admire them for that. Children never cease to amaze me!

fun and thunder began to sound, the teachers ushered the students inside. We helped them clean up, leaving before the rain started. As always, volunteering was very enjoyable; however, our biggest reward was probably the smiles on the students' faces.

When the children had their fill of

Longhorn Halloween

By: Eunji Seo

Trick or Treat! Oh, the weekend of Halloween is when all the entertaining events take place. However the real spirit of Halloween could be seen at the Frank Erwin Center where all the children gathered in costumes of their favorite superheroes and cartoon characters.

With danger lurking around in the shadows nowadays, parents hesitate to let their children go up to strangers in order to trick or treat. However, Longhorn Halloween provides a safe place for the children to

get candy and have tons of fun with all sorts of games set up by many of the student organizations on campus.

This year, ABSA set up a treasure box and a cardboard cutout picture frame where kids could stand behind and stick out their faces for a cool photo! The volunteering directors put in so much effort into making the frame and helped the event to be a huge success! Time flew by as we watched all the children bounce with joy as they searched for treasure and cheesed hard behind the picture frame as their par-

ents took their photos.

All in all, Longhorn Halloween was a fun event where all the volunteers could interact with the children while also giving back to the society. Because you know, even if we're in college, we are never too old for some Halloween fun. Since it was such an entertaining event, I will be looking forward to seeing ABSA participate again next year!



KEEPING AUSTIN BEAUTIFUL

#2

By: Angela Meng

An ABSA favorite, KAB returned last semester for another day of member-bonding and litter cleanup. The day was sunny, but not too warm, making it ideal weather for outdoors activity. To begin, the volunteers split up into two teams to clean up either side of the street, picking up trash with their trusty plastic gloves and ever-reliable trash-picker-uppers. Both sides of the street were equally littered, but

one side definitely lucked out since the bus stop stations with their numerous empty bottles and cigarette stubs were only on one particular side. Either way, both volunteer groups shared a fun morning strolling from 30th all the way down to 38th.

The pace of leisurely, and many of the members, myself included, learned a great deal about each other as we bonded over random facts, movies, and what not. We all shared a fun morning, relaxing while providing philanthropic help for the city of Austin. After clean up, the volunteers went to Burger Tex for lunch. What a great way to spend the morning with friends, helping the environment, and with some form or another of minimal exercise (walking and bending down to pick up trash!) All in all it was a very successful day! Keep Austin Beautiful, indeed!

AUSTIN PETS ALIVE

By: Erin Sun

Bright and early in the morning, we arrived at Austin Pet's Alive. This volunteering event turned out to be a craft project for decorating dog kennels. That Saturday was a superhero themed adoption promotion day for older and bigger dogs. Everyone woke up a little and we began our project with scissors, pens, and construction paper. And so, Ironman, Spiderman, Superdog, and witty adoption catch phrases were created. With some crazy patterned scissors and our awesome creativity, we wanted to get these dogs noticed and taken home! After we were done making little

hangers and signs for the dogs we went out to hang them and see the dogs. THEY WERE SO ADORABLE. I wish I could've adopted one then. but I don't think Jester would've liked that very much. We complimented those cute and furry faces with our signs and Batman/Avengers banners before visitors started arriving to meet the dogs and possibly adopt one home. Unfortunately we weren't able to walk or play with the other dogs outside their kennels, but I hope we were able to help some dogs get noticed a little bit more. I'm definitely looking forward to playing with the dogs next time!





Jason's Iron Man!

By: Kelvin Nguyen

You know, over the course of this semester I have grown rather accustomed to, and fond of, these Saturday morning volunteer events so I do apologize in advance if I sound a bit too energetic in describing what many would otherwise find boring. The events are a nice change in pace from all the hustle and bustle of college life, if nothing else.

Anyways, what we had signed up to do was help set up a garden; landscaping to be specific. Well that meant for the majority of the time we were pulling weeds, grass, roots, mushrooms and who knows what else from the ground. It wasn't quite what I was expecting, but after a couple minutes in I began to really enjoy myself. I'm not exactly an outdoors kind of guy so I was rather fascinated by the things that pulled up from the ground. Of course this meant I zoned out every now and then to, um, inspect my findings and took a little longer to

clear an area than the others did. What made it worse was when someone with a shovel came over and completed in a couple minutes what took me twenty. However at the end of the day, several dirty hands and stacks of bricks later, we did finish, leaving Micah 6 with a nice garden.

I must say, while this was technically a volunteer event for us to help others, I feel like I benefited the most from it. It was just so relaxing being out there, especially with the weather as great as it was that morning. All on top of the usual bonding time with my wonderful fellow ABSA members! Definitely going to keep signing up for these volunteer events.

MICAH6





By: Emily Mi

On the breezy Saturday morning of December 1st, over forty ABSA and UBC members carpooled down to a big creek area ready to paint over the heavily graffiti laden walls. Excitement filled the air as everyone hauled out buckets of paint and roller sticks from the trunk of a car together. To get to know one another, everyone went around in a circle and introduced their name

and an adjective to describe them. After the short and fun icebreaker, everyone was ready to start painting! People worked while chatting, laughing, painting, and getting messy. Gradually, the creek walls were restored to a clean slate. After an hour of hard work, the entire area was covered up with a fresh layer of paint and the volunteers were left feeling accomplished and proud. Afterwards, everyone continued to bond over delicious

Chinese food for lunch. In the end, everyone had a great time painting, making friends, and getting messy.

The graffiti clean-up is always a highly anticipated event every semester. It is a fun filled opportunity to help clean up the walls of Austin. Who would pass up an opportunity to meet new people, paint, and give back to the community? It is essentially hitting three birds with one stone.

By: Sarah Qin

On this lovely Saturday morning, I got the chance to volunteer at the Austin Animal Center with ABSA! Waking up was the only difficult part as we had to meet up at Littlefield Fountain at 7:30 am. When we got to the Austin Animal Center, the staff workers gave us a thorough introduction and tutorial on how to handle the dogs and

Austin Animal

Center

walk them properly. We all got into pairs to walk the dogs, so I paired up with Eunji Seo, who is an expert with dogs because she loves them so much! Most of the dogs that we walked were super energetic and strong. My first attempt at walking

one of the dogs was borderline e m b a r - r a s s i n g because I felt like the dog was w a l k i n g me! All I remember is our ABSA

webmaster Kelvin laughing at my sad attempt to gain control of the dog! Eventually, I got the hang of it, and we walked each dog for 10 to 15 minutes, also setting some of them free at a play pen. After about 2 hours of walking and playing with the puppies, it was time to say goodbye. Before we left, we stopped by the cat room, where a bunch of adorable kittens were either napping or just cutely meowing at us. I wanted to adopt so many cats and dogs that day but unfortunately dorm rules don't allow me to own pets. All in all, this was a very fun event and definitely one of the best Saturday mornings I have spent here at UT!



By: Jany Xu

This year ABSA's 11th Annual Dodge for a Cause charity event was co-hosted with ALPFA and BBSA at the Anna Hiss Gym. There were close to 100 attendees at the event including many supportive ABSA families that came out to cheer their teams on. The stakes were high and competition was tough, but all of the teams were pumped with energy to land first place. The electric atmosphere was intensified by the encouraging shouts and cheers of the audience in the sidelines. Eventually the contenders

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DODGE FOR A CAUSE

Compete to win. Compete to give.

Pizza, and Zen. PK Thunder came in second and Terence Catches Girls

for first place came down between two teams- The Iron Spikes and PK Thunder. Neither team was willing to give in to the other. As the minutes ticked by the tension between the two teams heightened and the audience's anticipation grew with it. At the end, The Iron Spikes won and claimed the coveted first place. The winners' treasures included gift cards from a variety of sponsors including Pluckers, Domino's

Pizza, and Zen. PK Thunder came in second and Terence Catches Girls not Balls placed third. Most importantly, we were able to raise \$1050 for the Ronald McDonald House with the proceeds from Dodge for a Cause. This year marked another successful year of Dodge for a Cause for ABSA and I look forward to the energy and competition of next year's dodgeball tournament.

FEED YOUR MIND

By: Helen Lee

Feed Your Mind is an annual event hosted by ABSA that gives out free food to all UT students during the dead days before finals time. Previous years, Feed Your Mind has been two days, the Monday and Tuesday of dead days. Although we are able to reach out to a greater audience between the two days, it had also put a time burden on our volunteers who help out both days. To alleviate this and to help improve the quality of our event, this year's Feed Your Mind was only one day, on Monday, December 10th.

As always, there are many, many vendors and volunteers who support us. This year, we had 56 vendors and over 40 volunteers who helped make the event a successful one. The event took place in the McCombs Atrium, but to allow more room for vendors who were present at the actual event, we also expanded to the CBA Special Events room. Microsoft was one of them. They set out Xbox demonstrations on all the screens and gave out much "swag" to the attendees.

With long lines and hungry college







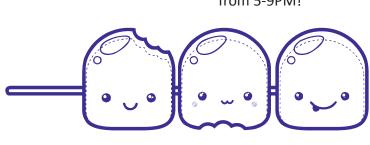








students, the total number of attendees that came out to this event this year was 667. Great job to everyone in the Feed Your Mind Committee and Academic Branch who helped prepare and set up the entire day. Also thank you to all the volunteers who made this event as successful and smooth as it could be from 5-9PM!





CAPTURE THE FLAG

By: Cassandra Chew

After a wonderful presentation from Ernst & Young, which included our very own Molly Sun, old and new members alike ventured towards the Capital to play a few rounds of Capture the Flag. Once everyone arrived, colorful glow sticks were passed around. Old and new members were separated into teams, and the game began.

This year our members got a taste of our social directors' cleverness. Because Halloween was around the corner, each team's flag consisted of pumpkin. This pumpkin proved to be a difficult flag substitute due to its size, so each team's prison filled up quickly. However, due to our experience and our vast knowledge of the game, we successful

captured the new member's flag during round one. After a quick victory dance, play began again...

After my freshman year, I learned that ABSA had its very own version of Capture the Flag. The first two rounds are played following the usually rules. However, round three always consisted of a lovely surprise. New members were indeed shocked, and I must say that

the old members were quite victorious! I look forward to repeating this tradition next fall, so if you want to be in on an ABSA secret, you better be there next year!





By: Cassandra Chew

On a sunny Friday afternoon in October, members headed over to Clark Field for the first Fantastic Friday of the semester. Fantastic Friday, which was started a few years ago, is an opportunity for members to relax and to kick off the weekend. At past events, activities ranged from yoga sessions to football scrimmages. This year was no different.

Because of the beautiful weather, many students were already on the field. Some were playing football while others enjoyed a game or two of ultimate Frisbee. Luckily, we were able to find a corner of the field that was in the shade. Soon, members broke up into groups, and

Frisbees and footballs were tossed around.

Personally, I had decided that that day was the day where I could finally throw a Frisbee. I had tried numerous times before, but in my defense, the conditions were just not right. For example, I played on a beach, and my Frisbee eventually floated away. Unfortunately, that day was no different, and it consisted of a few bruised arms and lots of running. However, I was still having a good time bonding with the members. Despite a few bumps, I look forward to another Fantastic Friday! I am hoping that the next one involves some snow!

FAUTHSTIC

By: Sherry Zeng

Every year, ABSA starts the new members off with a new member retreat on a bright and sunny afternoon. This year, it was at Patterson Park on a Saturday full afternoon sunshine and happiness. At first, we had each member introduce him or herself with the typical name, major, year, and our bonus question: favorite Disney princess! Then, we split off into teams of 6-7 for the infathree-legged mous race, except this time, everybody was tied together. So, if you can do math, unlike

me, that averages to a five or sixlegged race. Members held onto each other with their lives (literally) and trekked across the park. If you thought that was a workout, our next activity was the much laughed about and reflected upon: passing Cheerios on a toothpick. We challenged members' comfort zones and eye coordination, and I am sure the media directors captured wonderful moments out of it. Finally, we finished off the activities with a balloon tying and popping test. After a great workout, there is always a great reward...food! Munching on chips, cookies, and Jimmy Johns sandwiches, members bonded about life and enjoyed the rest of the afternoon under the sun.





ALUMINI

By: Janet Zhou

Alumni Weekend is always an exciting time for both alumni and ABSA members. For the members, it is a time to re-connect with old ABSA friends, and also gain insight from

the alumni's new experiences. For the alumni, it is a time to get back in the loop with how ABSA is doing ands how it has changed since their time as a member, director, or officer. This fall, we held our Alumni Weekend at Zilker Park, and we

were greeted with great weather as well as great people. We started off our activities by playing several rounds of Tug-of-war, which most notably resulted in the resounding victory of the underclassmen over their

upper counterparts. After introducing each other, we then were split into groups to go on a picture scavenger hunt with clever clues that the Alumni Directors came up with. We bonded over climbing over a multitude of rocks in search of a prom proposal, throwing footballs, and just chatting in a pow-wow circle with the alumni. Rudy's for dinner was a great complement to the well-planned out day, and everyone was able to go home happy. Fall Alumni Weekend 2012 was a great success and bonding experience for all who attended. We can only hope for an even better experience in the Spring!



Mount Bonnell Social

By: Angela Wu Li

After a fun afternoon connecting with ABSA alumni at Zilker Park, everyone headed to one of Austin's best un-kept secrets – Mount Bonnell. November 10th was a typical autumn day: blue skies with picturesque, cumulus clouds and winds just strong enough to feel refreshing. It was glorious.



By: Sean Shen

Before the Benefit Night with ABSA, I had never even heard of Spicy Pickle. Since I was one of the Financial Directors in ABSA, it was a part of my duties to arrange Benefit Nights. I discovered Spicy Pickle through some friends. They suggested having the Benefit Night there. Although I wasn't much of a sandwich kind of guy, I decided to give it a try.

On the night of the event, I arrived early at the restaurant after the Family GM. About fifteen minutes later, ABSA members started coming in. Soon, the trickle of people turned into a torrent of members that formed a line that went out the restaurant's door! I was so touched and so happy at the number of peo-

Although it's debatable what's more beautiful: sunsets or sunrises, Mount Bonnell's inarguable splendour is the view and atmosphere it offers. Watching the yellow sun reflect light off of the clouds, constantly moving, the colours of the sky are fleeting, orange with purple shadows, bright, sky blue ever deepening until another long

breath is exhaled and the yellow and orange are gone. The sky is a medium, dark blue with grey clouds and all that can be seen are dark silhouettes of trees; remnants of the sun that was once there come in flecks of brightness imprinted only in

ple that came out to support.

Everyone came in and sat down with their families. The tables were nicely spaced and surprisingly there was enough room for everyone. At first, I was concerned that there would be too many people, but we found that there was a patio in the back which could fit about twenty more people. It was a great time to interact and to bond with fellow family members as well as ABSA as a whole. Looking around, I could see everyone having a blast, just relaxing and enjoying food and friends. This was family time; this is what Benefit Nights are really all about.

The sandwich I ordered turned out alright as well. I still can't say that I'm a sandwich person, but Spicy Pickle was definitely worth the taste!

photos and memories.

Watching the sun go through its daily ritual is a mellow experience enjoyed by everyone whether they are couples, old friends, new friends, and strangers alike. On limestone, we sat on the eastern bank of Lake Austin, overlooking the steady stream and admiring the grand houses along it, recapping the day's happenings and discussing tomorrow's hopes.

From Zilker Park to Mount Bonnell, we took advantage of the ideal weather, the magnificent outdoors and even better company. Here's a shout-out to ABSA alumni! We are grateful for all of your support, dedication and continuous inspiration.

Spicy Pickle Benefit Night

FAMILY THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

By: Helen Lee

Thanksgiving is a time where people come together to reflect and give thanks to what they have been given in life. On November 17th, all the families got together in the afternoon to bake dishes for ABSA's highly-anticipated Family Thanksgiving Potluck. Turkeys, Eric's famous ham, pasta, green bean casserole, and desserts galore; this year was definitely one where there was plenty of food for all the families to come back and get seconds in the line. Different families got together and made at least two dishes each to bring to the Recreational Sports Center Game Room where the potluck was hosted.

In the afternoon, families bonded with their members as they cooked dishes to bring to the potluck. There were a few stragglers,

but as the game room slowly filled with ABSA members and the dishes that everyone brought, it was clear that we needed more tables to hold all the dishes. For the main entrees, the turkeys were made by Terence and myself (both our first time cooking a turkey) and the ham was made by Eric. After the main dishes, there were many appetiz-

ers, including: a variety of pasta, casseroles, enchiladas, mashed potatoes, and many more. For dessert, Best Chicken Fried Steak's tall tower made of Twinkies and other Hostess's products was a sight to see! There was also pumpkin pie, brownies, cupcakes, and cookies.

The night ended with everyone's tummy being full and satisfied. There

were also other potlucks going on in the night, but they did not deter any ABSA member from coming out. Afterwards, several ABSA members went to JuicyTart to karaoke and hangout. Big thanks to the family directors, Kristeen and Ben for organizing the most successful Thanksgiving Potluck so far!



ABSA & ALPFA Soccer Scrimmage

By: Nhi Tran

After finishing off their intramural season with a strong victory against Motion to Strike, the members of ABSA Soccer were eager to continue their momentum and get another game under their belt. On November 18th of the fall semester, the team was able to do so against ALPFA in a friendly scrimmage. Though ABSA Soccer was missing some of its more veteran players, the scrimmage became a good chance for the team to try out some of their new recruits. Both

organizations started off the afternoon by introducing themselves to each other and engaging in some friendly ice-breakers. Then the actual game commenced as everyone took to the fields. It was a neck-andneck game with the two teams being evenly matched. ABSA and ALP-FA each had their chances to score, and by the last few minutes of the game, the scrimmage was all tied up at 4-4. At this point, with there not being much time left, it seemed like the two teams were going to have to compete in a shootout to decide the winner. However, just as the game was nearing its end, sophomore Jamison Soybel scored a last-minute goal, and ABSA Soccer was able to claim another victory for its organization. Hopefully, ABSA Soccer can keep their winning streak going as they enter the spring semester and start off a new season.



Scrapbooking

By: Angela Meng

Pictures, stickers, and glue sticks ahoy! The fall session for scrapbooking started underway headed by Admin branch's Media Directors: Nhi, Daphne, and Cindy. With craft scissors in one hand, and a stack of photos in the other, the scrapbooking team set out to document ABSA's highly eventful fall semester. With pages to make for each branch, GMs, IM sports, CFTs, LAUNCH, social events, volunteering events, and more, the directors definitely had their work cut out for them. Thankfully, a bunch of volun-

teers showed up for all three days of scrapbooking to help with the page making.

Together they combined their skills of color-coordination and design to create aesthetically pleasing and memorable pages. Working each day from 7-9pm in the atrium, these hardy volunteers first separated the photos into each different event, tagging them with sticky notes. Although craft supplies were somewhat short in stock, with the dozen volunteers relying on a single pair of straight scissors to be passed around, the scrapbooking process went smoothly. Overall,



the work sessions were highly productive and scrapbooking was ultimately a success. Please stop by to flip through the ABSA scrapbook for pages of precious memories and landmark occasions made with love and a hint of mischief.

Ballroom Social with CSA & EPIC

By: Nhi Tran

At the end of the semester, as ev-

eryone was nearing their last few weeks of classes, students gathered at the Anna Hiss Gymnasium on November 30 for the Ballroom Social, hosted by ABSA, CSA and EPIC. Spirits were high as all of the participants lined up against the walls of the gym, eager to start their lesson. The event started off with everyone grouping off into pairs. This was a chance for ABSA

members to meet new people as well as spend some time with familiar faces. Swing was the first

dance for the participants to learn. As light-hearted music blasted on the speakers, the members had to



be bouncy and energetic in order to keep up with the dance style. Instructors stood at the center of the gym in order to teach everyone some of the basic steps. Then there came time for free dancing,

when everyone was able to put what they learned into effect. All of the students enjoyed themselves as they showed off some of their new skills. Afterwards, the instructors spiced things up with a little salsa. It was a little challenging for the participants to adjust to the different style, but everyone manage to handle themselves with flair. All in all, the event was a success as members walked away

with happy smiles and a new talent up their sleeves.

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By: Jason Guo

The Amazing Race started with everyone gathering near the front of the tower. Some came in their family spirit, Bazinga with their BZG T-shirts and YOLO with their capes. After everyone got their clues, all the families scrambled to their first destination. It was a tough ordeal on a sunny day, where participants had to sprint up and down hills and search for the administrators of the race. The challenges included: 1. eating cottage cheese, spicy sausage, pickles, and a green apple, which possibly led to a bit of indigestion 2. Singing a Christmas carol 3. Making a human pyramid 4. Shooting free throws, which were tough because five

different members had to score.
5. Running to Co-Op to layer on winter clothing 6. And, possibly the hardest, running all the way

to Clark Field to then run a lap and do pushups for the entire family. In the end of the tiring, epic adventure, Your Family finished first. J&K in second, and Bazinga in a close third. Hulk Smash. YOLO, and Brown Rice showed up slowly after, trudging into finish. Oddly, Best Chicken Fried Steak did not finish. They went to get pancakes at Kerbey.



IM VOLLEYBALL

By: Anson Chuah

This past volleyball season for ABSA was filled with hard work from each individual member of the team. Our team finished the exciting season 2-2, with very close margins in the losses. Supporters from ABSA came out to every game, encouraging the team on and holding their breaths during the closest of games. The third match, which was easily the closest game, saw ABSA lose both the second and third set by two points each. However, as a spectator, it was an enthralling experience watching the team storm back from 10 points to make the game close again. Led by Jonathan Wong, who was also the men's MVP for our coed volleyball team, ABSA refused to

give up without putting up a fight.

This fighting spirit began during the weekly practices, where each player worked diligently to improve on their game. Technical skills such as serving and setting were worked on, as well as soft skills such as communication and teamwork. Practicing paid off and as the season progressed, so did each player.

Overall, volleyball season was a period full of fun. It was a time when ABSA could come together and cheer on our fellow members, and that unity is more important than any win or loss.





Josh Hu

ABSA – Thanks you for an amazing first semester! I am so glad I have gotten the opportunity to meet so many great people this year. It constantly reminds me why I love this organization so much. Our organization is here to serve you, so if you ever have any comments, feedback, or complaints, please don't be afraid to express them to me! GET READY FOR AN EVEN BETTER 2013!

Officers – I am so proud of each and every one of you. You guys work so hard for this organization, and I am glad I can call each of you my friends. I am always here for you guys. WE WILL DO MORE OM AT FOOD PLACES CAUSE IT'S JUST SO MUCH MORE FUN. Also, isn't it crazy that we are ½ done with the year already?!

Janet Zhou – SALAD BOWL with the officers! #thuglife

Jessica McCarthy – White Power, let's go eat some Cajun food again

Mei-Lynn Hua – Superwoman, I loves the Mavs bag

Kimberly Lin – So excited for the sweatshirts hehe, I want to go visit LA sometime **Helen Lee** – Mother of the panel, apparently I'm invited to Admin's social next semester:).

Eric Allen – 21st birthdays only happen once in a lifetime

Cassandra Chew – Hope that sobriety gum is useful haha but I doubt it...

Alex Nguyen – congrats on getting member of the week! Your pics are awesome.

Amy Woon – Always great seeing you at ABSA events! Hope you had a great first semester.

Amy Yu – Hope first year in BHP has been treating you well!

Andrew Huang – One of the most awesome freshmen for sure. Thanks for dealing with me during Les Mis. "What's going on?!"

Andrew Lee – Thanks for your thoughtful email! Get a facebook

Andrew Tran – Great job this past semester with football. So excited for basketball!

Angela Meng – I'm really happy that you are enjoying ABSA and professional branch! Looking forward to all the awe-

some things you will do next semester.

Angela Wu Li – Yo Wu Li. I was just kidding about you looking awkward. You're a great little sib and person.

Anson Chuah – Looking forward to IM Basketball Championship next semester!

Ariel Kao – YOUR FAMILY is pretty cool.

We should do a mixer. SALAD BOWL?!

Armon Khorrami – I'll replace Stephanie next semester.

Arti Machchhar – Great job with Feed Your Mind!

Benjamin Williams – Mr. Future OMEGA president, thanks for all that you do for the family program! Encourage the new Omegas to come out to ABSA events!
Brian Yeh – Glad you are in the family!
Camilla Yen – Our brown bag was fun.
ENGINEERING CLASSES FTW!!

Cari Pak – EOS was lots of fun this semester! HOPE YOU ARE ENJOYING SOPHO-MORE YEAR!

Cassie Wang – Great job with Feed Your Mind! Tell your sister I said hi!

Cathy Shen – YOU ARE BACK. SO EXCITED TO SEE YOU.

Chris Wong – Hope you liking finance team!

Christine Dang – Glad you went to LAUNCH! Hope you had a great first semester!

Christine Lau – You're such a good big sib – thanks for always being supportive of ABSA.

Cindy Kuang – Thanks for all your hard work in Admin!

Clairine Veronica – Your family loves you! Thanks for all your hard work with Exec this past semester.

Daniel Li – David Yu always speaks very highly about you haha. Thanks for being a great big sib.

Danyal S. Rizvi – Sorry karaoke was canceled! We'll try to do it next semester. **Daphne Thammasila** – "I knew Morgan when she wore too much eyeliner" LOL. Hope you're enjoying ABSA!

David Wang – All the Alumni newsletters look really good! I'm so excited for Alumni Weekend next semester.

Denny Ku – Gonna miss you next semester. Man, those dog photos are so cute.

Douglas Wang – Hope that managerial textbook was useful this semester!

Elvis Yang – Hope you had fun in Taiwan

over winter break! So jelly.

Emily Mi – You should come to JK events from now on! Aren't you so glad you joined External?! You instagram a lot. **Enoch Tsai** – You were so helpful during Thanksgiving Potluck!

Erin Sun – ERIN, still the coolest girl around #thuglife

Eunji Seo – I hope you learned a lot this semester through working on LAUNCH and Feed Your Mind. You've done a great job!

Frank Cheng – FRANK, more meals this upcoming semester okay?!

Hannah Kang – Future MPAer, salad bowl was very fun! Second year is so different from freshmen year, right?

Huyen Tran – Your photography is beyond amazing. Family shots next semester. **Jackson Pei** – I'm glad you finally did your brown bag;). Keep being awesome.

IM BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP NEXT SEMESTER?!?!

James Yang – Hope sophomore year in BHP is treating you well!

Jamison Soybel – Evangeline Café was a lot of fun! You're a great little sib!

Jane Tedjajuwana – Glad you liked your first semester of BHP. Good luck marrying rich, lol.

Jany Xu – Glad I can be your BHP consultant. Thanks for letting the family come over to your house! Cannot reiterate how awesome ABSA publicity is because of you!

Jason Guo – Hey Mr. President, wish I could have seen you in action!
Jason Jeng – you add spice to our family!

Jason Watt – Congrats on Deloitte!
Jason Wu – Miss you as webmaster, but still glad to always see you around

Jazmine Hsu-Kei – Nice seeing you and Paul at Jester. Hope you enjoyed your first semester in college!

Jeff Su – Jiffy! Yay for doing bad in concepts! Keep being a rockstar director and getting all those companies for Scoring Careers! But stop looking like a hobo, okay? Jeffrey Fong – Thanks for being so committed to ABSA! You are such an awesome person to talk to!

Jenna Lin and Vickie Wang – Thanks for all your hard work with the Informer. Sorry I'm late on my shoutouts.

Jenney Ling – Always nice chatting with you before GM. Hope your first semester was awesome

Jenny Chau – You have an awesome cousin Rachel! haha

Jenny Che - Have fun in Hong Kong! Can't

wait to hear about your crazy adventures. **Jenny Li** – Can't wait for San Fran next semester. GREAT ALWAYS SEEING YOU AT THE FRONT DESK OF JESTER.

Jessika Wu – I enjoyed your presentation at the Marketing Team meeting! I feel like you've become much more confident.

John Chen - Gotta love MPA

Johnathan Ler – You and Zack crack me up – y'all are so entertaining. I really enjoyed our brownbag! GARLANDDD

Jonathan Fan – SO much Chinese on your Facebook all the time – I can't read it! Hope you're enjoying being in JK! Judy Lam – You seriously did an AWE-SOME job with Feed Your Mind. Thanks for always helping out at ABSA events! Julia Chuang – Thanks for replacing Stephanie next semester. I enjoyed hanging out with you at the end of last semester. Julian Sia – Hope comp sci is treating you well!

Julio Maldonado – Enjoyed our brown bag – Burger Tex and Amy's are awesome! Thanks for being a great member.

Ka-Wai To – Thanks for still supporting ABSA. Hope you enjoy your last semester! **Kelvin Nguyen** – You are such a hard worker and such a nice guy. Keep being awesome. Let's get food soon!

Ken Nguyen – Hope you enjoy your last semester! Thanks for all that you do for Finance Team and ABSA!

Kevin Chu – Hope you are having a badass senior year!!

Kevin Jiang – Glad you are in JK. Keep being awesome and hope I get to see you breakdance one day!

Klevrin Sitohang – Enjoyed your presentation during "Meet the Teams"

Krishna Ravella – FRISCO! Salad Bowl was fun. Those were some interesting sounds that you made.

Kristeen Chan – You're doing an AWE-SOME job with the family program. Keep up the good work! Haha cheesy/kissy photos with Grace FTW

Kristy Liang – Your family loves you Lisa Lam-Phaure – Looking forward to you leading Marketing Team next semester! Lisa Liu – You deserve so much recognition for all that you do for ABSA. The EOS backdrops always look so nice because of you, and publicity is SO good this year because of you.

Loan Khuu – Fourth big sib of Bazinga, you're great!

Lucy Hu – Let's continue to ace our MPA classes. LOL NOT.

Luther Fan - Little sib for two years, can-

not be more proud of you. You are a great director/little sib/member.

Maria Mai – You're dancing...is like WHOA. You can meet your twin this semester!

Matthew Shao – External represent! Hope you enjoyed your first semester in college! Michael Gu – Hulk Smash and JK should have joint events!

Morgan Hah – You were an awesome brown bag, definitely one of the most fun people in ABSA. Keep being a badass, HAH HAH HAH.

Nhi Tran – Mavs game was super fun! Glad you went. WOLFPACK.

Nicholas Yeap – I'm thinking about studying abroad in Edinburgh! Hope you are enjoying the USA.

Pandy Shen – Hope you enjoyed our events this semester. We'll have more fun ones next semester.

Patrick Chen – Patrick! Let's hang out more this semester!

Paul Nguyen – Thanks for being such an active member. You are such a cool guy!

Phoi Le – Always great seeing you around.

Hope last semester was great!

Puja Machchhar – Keep being an awesome Academic Director!

Quan Nguyen – QUAN! Congrats on winning Member of the Week! You deserve it more than anyone else.

Regan Wang – I spelled your name right this time! I love that you are so passionate about ABSA. Hope that your first year is going well! We should get lunch sometime.

Richard He – You the best.

Robert Ma – You're done with ACC 311! Managerial is much easier! "The Plague," thanks for all your work this semester! Rohit Kandimalla – Great job with the ballroom social. Hope you're enjoying being a part of the best branch in ABSA.

Ruyi Yao – So glad you are in JK. More fun events next semester!

Sabeeha Islam – Thanks for riding with me during Alumni Weekend! So cool that you work at the capital!

Sam Lehardi – Congrats on director of the month! You are definitely one of the best alumni directors I have seen in my years in ABSA!

Sarah Qin — Sassiest little sib, you are so entertaining to be around. I'm so glad that you are in JK. TheBomb.Com. Can't wait for more Dr. Phil chats with you in the future. Keep making more dance videos in your dorm room! You won't be able to tell who is my favorite director based on my

shoutouts!

Sean Shen – MPAAAAA. You're such a hard worker, so I'm sure you will do well. **Sherlley Loo** – Looking forward to Scoring Careers next semester. Always nice seeing you!

Sherry Zeng – You're always such a dependable director! Hope managerial went well – you're pretty much done with accounting classes

Sneha Desai – Thanks for all your hard work with Feed Your Mind! Always see you and Arti together!

Stephanie Del Paggio – Stephanie Ham's twin! Glad you are in JK!

Stephanie Ham – Have fun in Singapore. Will you read this? Probably not.

Stephanie Kao – Hope your first semester was awesome! WOLF PACK represent.

Stephen Zhu – Sarah says you are the biggest diva in Admin, but I know that's not true. You are one of funniest directors for sure though! Let's have more Sarah-Stephen-Josh FB chats in the future!

Taehoon Kim – TAX IS OVERRRRR. Hopefully we get the most family points next semester as well lol

Tenzin Yulo – Thanks for stepping up to be marketing head next semester! Looking forward to great things.

Terence Ko – Your statuses bro. Let's make the most out of this semester. You're graduating...

Tylee Milan – Hope to see you more next semester. Always great chatting with you! **Yiwen Xu** – Such a great clown for the Scoring Careers video. Great job with Mentorship and Exec stuff!

Zack Kingsak – One of the coolest directors for sure, you + Jonathan = my favorite combination.

Zulian Tjuatja – The house renovations look awesome. Hope the informational interview was helpful. You're a great little sib!

Mei-Lynn Hua

Andrew Huang – It was great bonding with you at Kerbey!

Andrew Lee – How was your Christmas? Let me know if you want to grab coffee again!

Cassandra Chew – Can I bake with you sometime? It doesn't have to be cheese-cake:D

Cassie Wang – It was great getting to talk to you at Benefit Night!

Chopin Chen – How is APAC doing? What

are you planning for next semester?

Clairine Veronica – How was Washington
DC? Tell Inez and all your Indo friends to
come with you to GMs!

Danyal Rizvi – I'm going to read one of the architecture books you recommended over the break! I hope to be as knowledgeable as you and Yiwen about art history someday!

Daphne Thammasila & Cristina Be – I had so much fun playing pool with y'all! Three against one and I THINK we won haha Emily Mi – I don't think I've ever seen you not smiling or happy. How do you do it? Tell Michael I'll be coming out to more family events!

Eric Allen – Oh lord. What trouble have you gotten yourself into now?

Hannah Kang – We got through Philoso-

phy!!! Another semester to go! Woot
Woot

Helen Lee – I was visiting my old high school and thought of you. You'll be a wonderful teacher/educator/administrator one day

Jaclyn Nguyen - Let's go shopping together again! You're such a fashionista James Yang/Maggie/Stefan Lim - Old Exec: thanks for the notes in the happy book! I hope you've had a wonderful year! Janet Zhou - I'm excited for the Professional-Exec Social! Let's see who wins. You chose us because we are competitive;) Jeanne Feng – It was weird sleeping in over the break and not hearing your obnoxious alarm lololol. I'm going to try to get 8 hours of sleep every day now!! Jenney Ling – Hi there ABSA buddy! How was your break? Let's catch up! Jenny Li – I'm excited to see what y'all plan for the San Fran CFT!

plan for the San Fran CFT!

Jenny Tseng – I miss you dear Let's catch

up sometime in Blanton.

Jessica McCarthy – How far along are you now on A Clash of Kings? You NEED to watch the show.

Josh Hu – Thank you for everything Josh. Likewise, I am always here for you. Judy Lam – Great job on Feed Your Mind! I've never seen so much food disappear so fast (except maybe at a GM haha) Julian Sia – How was your trip to Ghana?

Ayesha told me y'all went together! **Kelvin Nguyen** – How was your Christmas? Did you stay in Odessa?

Kimberly Lin – Looking forward to working with you more this semester!

Lakshmi Gopalakrishnan – I haven't seen you around. Where have you been?!
Lisa Liu – Thank you again for the wonder-

ful publicity for Networking Reception! **Loan Khuu** – You are such a bright girl.

Reach for the stars and let me know if you ever need anything!

Luther Fan – Did you end up learning Python over break? Lol, it is okay you can be a Jack Ma (funny shaped head and all).

Maria Mai – I always smile when I see you come early to GMs! I hope you are having a wonderful year!

Morgan Hah – Ello ello ello. Do you have any dance events coming up soon? I'll be sure to come and cheer you on!

Nicholas Yeap – So where have you not traveled to? :P I love how you are teaching the branch how to be more cultured. What would we do without you?!

Pandy Shen – Hello first brown bagger, so how do you like ABSA?

Regan Wang – Thank you thank you thank you for... just being you Regan

Sabeeha Islam – Anything interesting come up in the office after session started? When are you in the Capitol this semester?!

Sarah Qin – For real, let's get lunch! I hope we already planned something by the time this comes out...

Sherlley Loo – I never see you anymore Study shesh at the Hackerman like old times?

Sherry Zeng – You didn't tell me you were going on a cruise!! How was Mexico?
Stephen Zhu – Thanks for the great brown bag! Yum. I'll be sure to order those noodles again.

Terence Ko & Taehoon Kim – Y'all were hilarious MCs for EOS! Don't be afraid to be meaner us!

Tina Lin – How's accounting??? That class still scares me.

Tracy Trieu – I think our EOS pictures look cute;) Who cares if we took a bajillion of them LOL

Vamsee Ravella – I admit your jokes are funny (sometimes) jk jk

Yiwen Xu – I hope you like the CD! I can't wait to listen to yours

Zulian Tjuatja – Thanks for being so active in ABSA! Let me know if you ever need anything!

Janet Zhou

Judy Lam – Hi! Thank you for ALL that you do for ABSA and Academic. I really appreciate your hard work and constant enthusiasm for all that you do!

Erin Sun – I really don't understand you

and Terence's farming thing LOL

Kelvin Nguyen – You did a great job filling

in for Helen! Be more confident in yourself, and I can't wait to see how you will grow this next semester!

Jackson Pei – Sup troll, we still need to do our brownbag so that you won't be too cool for me.

Eunji Seo – You are so sweet and quiet at times! I hope you've been learning a lot from ABSA and Academic Branch. Let's grab lunch sometime!

Jason Guo – Hey herpy, how is that empty pot? Have you grown anything yet? Haha. If you want a branch outing, YOU set it up! Luther Fan – I feel like you are always really excited and happy, and that's awesome! Thanks for putting on Launch and for being a great member in ABSA.

Angela Meng – I hope you have recovered from your 102 degree fever by now. I also should have given you your long overdue AI Paca by now. I'M EXCITED FOR SAN FRAN, SO YOU SHOULD BE TOO!!

Andrew Huang – Not sure if I want to get in the car with you next time. My life could be in danger when I get out.

Jenna Lin – Thanks for all your hard work in Admin branch! I hope you are still getting a lot out of ABSA

Jonathan Chang – Yes, I know. I still owe you a brownbag, sir.

Kevin Jiang – WHY DID YOU DROP OUT OF MR. MCCOMBS. Not allowed next time! Thanks for all your hard work on Feed Your Mind! Let me know if you ever need anything!

Jason Wu – Oh, Jason. Thanks for ALWAYS helping me carry the food in. I know I can always count on you to help us out with whatever we need. Thanks for your self-less service.

Jeff Su – 2nd semester, leggo. Greater things are yet to come.

Hannah Kang – Thanks for being a great roomie! Although, I have realized that as the semester goes on, I see less and less of you in the room LOL. Thanks for telling me about the chipped mug as well. Let's make this semester a great one!

Jeffrey Fong – SUP DERPY. Remember our long conversation before you left for Taiwan? Let's make that happen this year! Excited to see you grow and for all the FUN times we will have during Branch meetings, outings, mixers, and such!

E. Clarissa Gondoprawiro – Clarissa! I don't see you as much anymore, but I hope you are doing well! Come out to more ABSA and family events

Angela Wu-Li — Even though I don't know you too well, I can see that you are a sweet girl who will get her stuff done. I hope ABSA and External are providing you with a family atmosphere, and I can't wait to see where you will go this next semester!

Emily Mi – Most likely to marry rich. Haha, it was great hanging out with you at the JK event over break. I'm sorry that I came off as intimidating at West, but HOPEFULLY that's not the case anymore. And if it is, we should change that!

Anson Chuah – So, IM Basketball champions this year?

Chopin Chen – Girl, you have so much ahead of you. Congrats on all your successes so far, and thanks for still sticking with ABSA!

Johnathan Ler – You and Zack are just QUITE the character! Thanks for being the comedic relief in many situations, LOL. I hope you are enjoying yourself in ABSA, and feel free to reach out to the other officers if you ever have anything you need help or advice on!

Kristeen Chan – You have been an awesome family director, and I cannot wait to see what this new semester will bring. I know you have been placed under a lot of pressure at times, but you are doing SO well. I see a lot of potential in you, keep it up!

Lisa Liu – THANK YOU O GREAT AND TAL-ENTED PUBLICITY DIRECTOR. Your artwork never ceases to blow my mind.

Andrew Tran – Even though you seem to have a tough exterior, I know you deeply care about those closest to you. Thanks for serving as our athletics director! I hope that you have found people in ABSA that you can really share and live life with. Jenny Li – Hay gurl, excited to see san fran unfold before us in just a couple of months! Thanks for all your hard-work in our branch. You keep the sass and style in Professional Branch quite well.

Julian Sia – I always bump into you at random places on campus! Hope you are enjoying your time on consulting team!

Amy Woon – I am SO sorry I didn't know who you were on the way to EOS! BUT NOW I DO! I hope ABSA has been treating you well. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions!

Cari Pak – I don't know you too well, but I can see that you're a sweet girl that really cares about her friends. I hope Internal is treating you well, and thanks for helping put on such a great EOS!

Frank Cheng – Hello polar bear. Although I don't understand some of the things you say sometimes, I know you mean well. Continue pursuing God in all that you do. And stop trolling me.

Ariel Kao – FISH BOWL FISH BOWL FISH BOWL

Elvis Yang — I ALWAYS see you in the quiet lounge. Just FYI, I have REALLY bad eyesight, so I'm not intentionally ignoring you/not saying hello. I just can't see. And when I can finally tell it's you, I'm like, well it is already too awkward to say hello now. LOL.

Jany Xu – Hello FUTURE roomie! It has been QUITE the semester, but God is good, yes? I cannot wait to see all the other ways that grace will be displayed to you, and WE BETTER FILM THAT VIDEO. MORE BAO ZI PLEASE!

Clairine Veronica – I really enjoyed our brownbag that day at JCL! You are a beautiful and sweet girl, and I know you have a grand future ahead of you.

James Song – Come out to ABSA more! Andrew Lee – You are so sweet and funny. Thanks for always checking up on your friends, and being a great friend to everyone.

Denny Ku – Hi Denny. LET'S HANGOUT SOMETIME.

Lisa Zhang – Thanks for all your work on Scoring Careers Committee. I hope that you can also find your own niche in ABSA! Jason Watt – Hello, Mr. Narcissistic. Glad we got to know each other better first semester! MORE BAO TALKS & 3AM FOOD RUNS TO COME. And yes, we will soon rise to fame in China.

Justin Chao – I think you owe me something. Pancakes?

Jessika Wu – It's great to see you active in Marketing team! Feel free to reach out to me if you ever need anything.

Loan Khuu – I still owe you a brownbag, I'm sorry! Let's get it done.

Christine Lau – Thanks for being a great big sib to your family. I know they love you.

Jonathan Fan – You and Frank. Always trolling me.

Edward Liao – Come out to ABSA and family events more!!

Jane Tedjajuwana – It was great having you at our earlier SG meetings! Always welcome to come again.

Kristy Liang – Thanks for your hard-work in SC committee! I know it's hard to find friends and community in a place so big as ABSA, but I hope that you will still be able

to find that. Let Him use you in greater ways than you could have ever possibly imagined

Jenney Ling – So, we should jam sometime.

Betty Wang – Might never see this, but HAVE A GREAT TIME IN HK

Isoken Omoruyi – JAM SESSION REQUEST-ED.

Jason Jeng – FISH BOWL, SIR. FISH BOWL. Kevin Chu – Thanks for being an awesome Big Sib to your family as always! Camilla Yen – Hi buddy, let's get a meal

John Chen – WHERE'S MY MEAL BRO Bonnie Leung – Hey girl, thanks for all your hard-work in Publicity team! Come out to more ABSA events, we would love to see your beautiful face!

soon.

Stephen Zhu – Sup terracotta. Ready for round 2? And please. PLEASE. Keep your shirt on

Taehoon Kim – I'm glad that we have reconciled. BROWNBAG.

Nhi Tran – Thanks for always taking pictures for ABSA! You are awesome!

Sherry Zeng – Thanks for all that you do for Internal; I know it gets a bit crazy at

Robert Ma – Remember what we talked about. And remember our new operation to infiltrate TISA, TASA, CSA, and all other viable options.

Maria Mai – You are a sweet, bubbly, and talented girl! Thanks for always supporting ABSA and the people in it!

Quan Nguyen – I hope you like your gift! Regan Wang: So, did not know you danced. LOL

Sarah Qin – Mhmmmmm, strong independent black woman who ain't need no man. You rock my world, girl.

Sean Shen – Oh the adventures we will have this year!

Zach Kingsak – Thanks for bringing such abundant life and energy to ABSA! However, I know people get burned out at times, so if you EVER need anything, do not hesitate to reach out to those around you

Yiwen Xu – Aren't you glad stats is over? Sabeeha Islam – It's so good seeing you in ABSA, for reals.

Morgan Hah – Lovely lady, I hope executive is treating you well!

Stephanie Kao – Hope all is going well for you in Marketing Team I know you are an ambitious one.

Sam Lehardi – GENTLE GIANT. I am not scary, right? Thanks for all that you do for

ABSA! Looking forward to a great second semester!

Rohit Kandimalla – You have a really cool last name, and you are a really cool person as well. Glad we got to talk for a bit at the branch mixer!

Matt Lau – Be a blessing to others.

Zulian Tjuatja — Putting you on Scoring Careers committee was probably one of the best decisions I have made all year. I am SO glad to see you contributing to ABSA in more ways than one, and I know you will go far. Also, thank you for the very sweet birthday note!

Michelle Lee – Thank you for all your hard-work in SC committee! I hope you are enjoying yourself, and let me know if Jeff is treating you poorly.

Sherlley Loo – O hey future apartmentmate! Let's get our meal sometime.

Nicholas Yeap – When are we going to get our meal!! I'm not sick anymore!

Ruyi Yao – So, mafia again soon?;)

Matthew Shao – Hey didi, keep me updated with your life please!

Terence Ko – Papa Ko, thanks for all your care and love! You will make a great dad for your daughters. Looking forward to a great last semester with you. #so sad Richard He – Thanks for inviting me to film with you guys! Sorry that I couldn't help with the make-up; but I did have fun taking pictures!

Josh Hu – Too poor for kit-kats. LOL Keep up the good work, Mr. President
Mei-Lynn Hua – Excited for our branch mixer soon!! Remember to not stress yourself out too much. We are all here for you!

Eric Allen – Diva of the panel, I hope you are wearing that tiara every single day. Haha, it's been great getting to know you, and let's make this last semester before you leave for Japan a great one. May you constantly be encouraged by His great love and mercy for you.

Cassandra Chew – More family events! Thanks for everything that you do; don't ever hesitate to ask me for help when you need it!

Helen Lee – So, we STILL need to eat together some time. Thank you, mommy, for all your love and goodies that you give us. You are the silent force that keeps us together many times.

Jessica McCarthy – Will always remember our 4am crazy idea to go to Kerbey. It was well worth it though. You also. Do not stress out so much! Philippians 4:13 Kimberly Lin – We STILL need to get our roommate lunch. And I am quite excited to be updated about your life as well, if you know what I mean;) Thanks for always dealing with our money troubles and being so understanding about it. You are awesome!

Cassandra Chew

Officers – I'm not sick of y'all yet! :D
External Branch – Can't wait to see what
you guys do this semester!

ABSA – There's no looking back now! Just keep your head up and get excited for the new year!

Josh Hu – One hour OMs? That would be nice.;)

Mei-Lynn Hua – Haha, I can see how we're alike! Lunch?

Janet Zhou – I'm so happy that we got closer this past semester! You're just as selfless and sweet! Thanks for keeping BCFS going!

Eric Allen – I'm done with recruiting! Now you and Josh will be most MIA. Good Luck!

Helen Lee – Oh, mother! :D I don't know how you manage your time with school and work and us! Thank you for everything and get more sleep! :)

Jessica McCarthy & Kimberly Lin – What would you like to eat?

Angela Wu Li – We're so lucky that you're in our branch! You have such great ideas and insight!:)

Hannah Kang – got enough ballroom? Matt Shao – You and Emily are getting there! A little birdy told me that you're an awesome dancer, break dancing joint social?

Rohit Kandimalla – Next branch outing: watching the Lion King with Simba!

Lisa Liu – boo. I missed your giftarts deadline. No worries! You already do an awesome job with ABSA's publicity!

Jany Xu – We'll have our plucker's one day! Thanks for being so on top of things!

Emily Mi – you survived your first semester! Hope the little birdy is flying smoothly!

Erin Sun – When you open your fridge the next time around, there will be two cheesecakes! :D You and Emily are doing a wonderful job! Surprise me this semester!

Best Chicken Fried Steak – Get prepped for a new year! We have lots of ideas and we look forward to seeing you at our events! **Amber Liang** – tehee. Hope you enjoyed that little taste of UBC! They were pumped for FYM!

Angela Meng – I'm super excited for San Francisco CFT!

Ariel Kao – <3 <3

Armon Khorrami & Alex Nguyen – Thanks for a wonderful birthday!

Arti Machchhar – Just cheese!

Betty Wang – We'll miss you! We'll always be the BEST!

Cassie Wang – Wish we found out our breaks were the same earlier! Thanks for selling my book! (:

Cindy Truang & Nhi Tran – Great job with the EOS Video and scrapbook! I couldn't stop laughing!

Clarrisa G. & Sabrina H & Vania S – Little sib, where have you been? Just kidding, we'll be hosting tons of board game nights!

Daphne Thammasila – Brown Bag Buddy #2: I had a blast!

Edward Liao – Thanks for helping us out with the Thanksgiving potluck!

Frank Cheng & Sherry Zeng – Pumped for next year!

FYM Committee – There's a lot of you, but that was one of the best FYM!!!

Huyen Tran – You take some pretty snazzy pictures! Officer photoshoot?

Isoken Omoruyi – Hello Mr. ABSA!

Jackson Pei – I got a New Year's resolution for you: be extra mean, I mean, nice to Jessica!

Jamison Soybel & Jason Sim & Klevrin Sitohang – my gosh. That soccer scrimmage with ALPFA was so intense. Y'all are so good!!!

Jane Tedjajuwana & Jee-Ho Kang – External Love.

Jason Wu – Loved the alumni weekend picture!

Jazmine Kei – Are you up for another round of Torchy's?

Jeffrey Fong – we shall have another professional vs. external charades match.

Jason Guo – How are you doing Mr. President?

Jenna Lin & Vickie Wang – I'm sorry for my lateness, but thanks for still posting my shoutouts!

Jerry Chang – Although you won't read this until May, I hope you have a wonderful time in Singapore!

Cari Pak, Jonathan Ler & Zack Kinsack – Loved fall EOS! Spring EOS theme: Skyfall 007! :D Classy B&W.

Judy Lam – my "sister". Haha, maybe one of our GM's will be twin-themed!

Julia Chuang – You make some pretty amazing dumplings! Thanks for always helping me out!

Julian Sia – You're supposed to be enjoying your sophomore year.

Kevin Chu – Hope you had fun grading my team's MIS 333K project! It worked out just fine!

Kelvin Nguyen – I feel sorry for your poor computer. It needs to rest once in a while. ;)

Kristeen Chan & Ben Williams – Are you sure you counted all of our points? Just kidding, keep up the good work!

Justin Chao & KS Shreyas – Thanks for being such active little sibs! We hope to host more events next semester.

Laura Le – Future roomie? Come out to more ABSA events? :D

Luther Fan – Recruiting 101 – Deep Breaths!

Maria Mai – I've watched some Redefined videos! Teach me how to dance!

Nancy Do – We really need to have lunch! :D

Quan Nguyen – Thank you. I don't think I say that enough!

Rachel Huynh – you're so fun to talk to! Regan Wang – Thanks for trying out for Mr. ABSA! You should perform at corporate dinner!

Robert Ma – It's okay to be lazy every once in a while.

Scoring Careers Committee – I hear that y'all are doing an amazing job! Can't wait for January 29th!

Samuel Lehardi – Thanks for coming out to our volunteering events! Hope you're enjoying them!

Stephen Zhu & Sarah Qin – You guys should reserve which days you'll be checking the admin email. :D

Sean Shen – now, Is that Robert?;) **Sonia Rahardja** – we shall have Mil Lab family events!:D

Stephanie Ham – You and Jerry better have fun in Singapore! Don't study too hard

Stephanie Kao – Thanks for helping us with our Thanksgiving cooking! Honorary little sib! You're welcome to come out to any of our events!

Taehoon Kim & Terence Ko – Loved your presentation at EOS! Only complaint, you were too easy on Josh! ;)

Tenzin Yulo – Excited for Marketing Team! **Vincent An** – Loved your Mr. ABSA audition. Mario!!!

Helen Lee

Admin Branch – Thank you for everyone's hard work this semester! Hope all your finals went well! Enjoy your break and get ready for another awesome semester in January! I can't wait to see what ideas each of you have in stored for the remainder of the year. Keep up the great work!! Sarah Qin – You always bring such a great smile and a sassy personality to our branch Bring all your ideas to our branch meetings again in the upcoming semester! Stephen Zhu – Always very prompt and diligent in everything you do. Thanks for taking time out to help out with FYM the entire day (even with the number of finals that you had)!

Jenna Lin – Thank you for all your hard work on the first Informer Edition this year! There may have been some misprints, but overall, the Informer was well-done, especially since you were not familiar with the Adobe programs. Glad that I get to keep you in Admin for the entire year instead of just one semester! Vicky Wang - I know photoshop and indesign may not be programs that you were most familiar with when coming in as an Informer Editor, but you have been a very quick learner to get a good grasp of these two programs. I hope you continue to grow next semester and continue the great job. P.S.—good to know that I'm not the only person who reads for enjoyment. David Wang – Glad you're enjoying Admin Branch so far! You're doing a great job as alumni director and have definitely shown me that you can think on your feet when a quick decision needs to be made regarding your event. Hope you're enjoying your travels this winter...very jealous that you're in Japan :P

Sam Lehardi – I don't think I will ever see the end of your questions, but as always, never feel that you're bothering me; I'm here for you and anyone else in Admin who has questions. Great job with alumni director duties so far and continue growing next semester!

Kelvin Nguyen – Sir, I better see that shirt buttoned up and tucked in next time you're in formal/bus. casual wear;) Haha thanks for always keeping up with tasks and prompt to everything!

Cindy Kuang – Thank you for choosing Admin branch again, Cindy, and helping out in different aspects of Admin whenever you can! Really glad to have you back in Admin. Great job to you and Daphne on the EOS slideshow!

Daphne Thammasila – I love your sweet smile whenever I see you! I'll be sure to take you up on your offer with food next semester haha. Thanks for being a great media director this semester and great job on the EOS slideshow! Keep up the great work next semester.

Nhi Tran – Thank you for always keeping up with events and being a diligent media director! The EOS video was great this semester! Glad to have you in Admin this year and be prepared for the senior farewells next semester

Marketing Team – Great job everyone on your first case with Yellowbooks! I hope to get to know each of you better next semester. Looking forward to continue working with you guys!

YOLO – You guys have been a wonderful family! I'm looking forward to more events next semester so be sure to stay tuned. We are a talented family all around so hopefully I'll see more littles at different events in the spring

Officers – You guys have been some of the most awesome people to work with. Each of you has played a valuable role to our team and I could not have asked for more. All of us have learned from each other and grown in our own aspects as officers. I hope everyone has a restful break and a happy holiday season!

Josh – Thanks for continuing to be a good President and constantly checking up on us! Your support and knowing when to pull things back in order is well appreciated

Mei-Lynn – For sure my talks with you are always treasured.

Janet – I agree. We need to catch up next semester over lunch or dinner Eric – Crazy Eric.

Cassandra – Hope you enjoyed your gifts and are staying warm in this chilly season! Baking sessions together next spring? Jessica – Our talks in West Campus haven't ended haha. Thank you for your tacky sweater; it's very warm!

Kimberly – Thank you for helping out with alumni weekend and always being unselfish this semester, being around when you can!

Amy Cui – Hope you enjoyed our cape making event

Ariel Kao – We could've studied abroad with each other almost...

Ben & Kristeen – Keep up the great work Family Directors! Both of you have put on some of the best family events thus far.

Cassie Wang – Great job with Feed Your Mind!

Chopin Chen – Glad that you were able to come out to our Houston recording session! Hope you'll be able to attend more family events next semester.

Clairine Veronica – Great job with the Fall Networking Reception!

Erin Sun – Glad to have gotten to know you this semester! You have a GREAT singing voice and is very good at harmonizing. I think, after hanging around all of YOLO's big sibs, we have a few things that we can agree on possibly.

Eunji Seo – Congrats on a successful FYM event, Eunji! You and Judy both worked hard to make it happen Hope you have an awesome break!

Hailey Chen – Happy holidays! Hope you're having a fabulous break!

Hoai Truong – Glad to still see you at

ABSA events! Come out to more events next semester

Isoken Omoruyi – Thank you for keeping up with being a big sib of YOLO. But really...you are a meanie: P

Jaclyn Nguyen – Your fashion tastes never ceases to amaze me

James Song - Hello Neighbor!

Jany Xu – Somehow, we always bump into each other on Tuesdays and Thursdays during our half hour break at O's Café... wonder if that'll happen next semester?

Jason Guo – Good job being President during the last GM! You handled the job well

Jason Wu – Hope all of your finals went well! Have a great holiday break! Jeanne Feng – I see you still love karaok-

Jeff Su – Great job with Houston CFT! You were an awesome navigator

Jeffery Fong – Thanks for helping me get back Isoken in Assassins!

Jenney Ling – You have a great singing voice Jenney!

Jenny Che – Hope you're having a fabulous time in Europe!

Jenny Chau – We should catch-up more next semester. Hope you have fun in Europe!

Jenny Tseng – Come out to more family events!

Johnathan Ler – Glad I got to talk to you a bit more this semester! Let's catch up on our brown bag when we get back to Austin next semester?

Judy Lam – You're almost like another big sib in YOLO. Awesome job with FYM! Lakshmi Gopalakrishnan – Hope everything went well for you this semester! I know it's been a pretty heavy semester with both business and biochem courses.

Linda Ye – Congrats on Accenture!

Lisa Liu – You and Jany do a FABULOUS job with the ABSA flyers always! Glad to have you as a director this year.

Lisa Zhang – It appears that Coco's is a popular spot for brown-bags.

Louis Yu – Hello Father! Thanks for coming out to alumni weekend and the last GM this semester. Hope you'll come out again more next semester to support us! Luther Fan – Thanks for helping me navigate to EOS!

Lyndsey Chong – Great job with Feed Your Mind this semester! Hope to see you at more family events next semester! Let me know if you ever need a ride.

Michael Gu - We survived!! :D

Nicholas Yeap – Very classy. I always find our talks very intriguing and learn something new from you every time.

Nikki Ni – Thanks for playing on our Dodge for a Cause team!

Natasha Ghanshani – Hope to see you at more ABSA events next semester!

Patrick Chen – Hope you liked your secret santa gift!

Phoi Le – Hope you enjoyed Marketing Team so far! Since I've last seen you, you've improved greatly on your public speaking and analysis skills. Hope to continue seeing you grow, don't ever be afraid to voice your opinions or inquires:)

Regan Nguyen – Great job with the Fall Networking Reception! There is still much more room to grow, but since the beginning of the semester I've seen you put yourself out in ABSA more and more.

Thank you as always for being an active little sib.

Richard He – You're too good at Mafia... **Robert Ma & Sherry Zeng** – Looking forward to all your social events next semester!

Sean Shen – Hello Hope you have fun in Taiwan this winter break!

Sean Zhou – Somehow, we end up bumping into each other on our way in/out of Quarters often.

Sherlley Loo — I haven't seen you much this semester outside of ABSA Let's get coffee sometime on the weekends!

Stephanie Ham — Hopefully you'll read this online when the issue comes out, but thank you again for heading Marketing Team this semester! Have a very safe trip to Singapore!

Taehoon Kim - Thanks for MCing during

EOS! Thank you also for continuing to be a very active member in ABSA. Your points are still pretty high according to my two Administrative directors.

Terence Ko – Thanks for MCing during EOS! The making fun of an officer portion wasn't as bad as I thought

Tracy Trieu – Great job with LAUNCH! Looking forward to our brownbag when we get back in January

William Luu - Hai!

Xuan Guo – Thanks for coming out and playing in Dodge for a Cause!

Yiwen Xu – Roomie! Haha thanks for being an awesome and considerate roommate this year! Hope you're having a restful and relaxing break. Looking forward to another semester in January with you

Zack Kingsak – Great job on the EOS fundraiser and EOS this semester! Looking forward to seeing what you, Johnathan, and Cari have planned for us next semester.

Graduating seniors – Please be nice to my media directors next spring

Anyone else I missed – Hope everyone's finals went well and you're all enjoying an awesome, relaxing, restful break! Happy holidays and looking forward to seeing all of you back in the New Year!

Jessica McCarthy

Academic Branch – I love you all to pieces, and I expect great things this semester! We are the power branch! YEA! Alexis Nguyen – Girl, you're the best! I admire you so much, for so many reasons. Stay strong in MPA! If anyone can succeed, it's you!

Amber Liang – Wonderful job with FYM! You should be proud of yourself! I know I am.

Amy Woon – Amy, you're sweet and cute, and you have a good head on your shoulders. Speak up and let everyone hear what you have to say!

Andrew Lee – I enjoyed the deep talk we had after practice that time. Never lose that good heart of yours, Andrew.

Angela Wu Li – Angela, please don't ever change. You're an absolute trip!

Cassandra Chew – I hope you had a chance to unwind during Christmas! We were all busy this semester, but you were a whirlwind!

Christine Lau – Thank you for all the effort you have put into being a big sib this year! Clarissa Anjani – I hope you are enjoying UT! I look forward to playing soccer with you again.

David Wang – I'm so proud of you! I can't wait to see what more you have in store. Denny Ku – Mochi is so cute!

Elvis Yang – Hiya. Brown bag sometime? You're in my family, but I feel like I hardly know you! That cannot do!

Enoch Tsai – You should visit "Atlantis" sometime. It's drier than you think. XP **Eric Allen** – Lol what are we going to do with you? :P

Erin Sun – You're always classy and cool, so I love it when you laugh. I hope we have many more fun times together in the future!

Eunji Seo – Costco trips are surprisingly a great way to bond. Your life is definitely not boring!

Fall FYM Committee – Thank you for all your efforts! The results were definitely worth it! I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

Freda Xia – Thank you for all the effort you gave to Feed Your Mind this semester! I'm glad you were a part of it!

Helen Lee – Long talks on street corners? I'll take it. You're a wonderful person. Let me know if there's anything I can do for

Isoken Omoruyi – Your song about ABSA was very touching. I can't wait to see you be crowned as Mr. McCombs!

Jackson Pei – We may be officer and director, but I'm happy we became friends, too. Thank you for being a great support this semester. (Even if you are a troll)

Jamison Soybel – You're a great man,

Jamison Soybel. I hope to be a better friend to you now and in the future!

Jane Tedjajuwana – I love you more than ever before. I wish we got to hang out more this semester. Talking in Reliant just doesn't cut it!

Janet Zhou – Gifts can tell a lot about the giver. You're very thoughtful and thorough in whatever you do, and that's wonderful. Jany Xu – You have been amazing this year. Thank you for making study nights in Reliant more enjoyable!

Jason Guo – When I first met you, I thought you were a quiet guy. I was wrong, haha. Great job so far with Professional!

Jason Jeng – You and the other Jason should get matching t-shirts. You're two peas in a pod! I'm glad I got to get to know you.

Jason Watt – I'm glad we got to hang out a little, even if we aren't in the same branch anymore. Congrats on making it through BHP!

Jason Wu – I really hope you have a better semester! You should ENJOY the classes you're taking!

Jay Song – I hope you had fun at the Ball-room Social! You should come out more next semester.

Jenny Chau – It's always a pleasure, my lady. Let's go on another random food trip sometime. Also, I still have not been to your place!

Jenny Che – I'm glad we got to hang out at the end of this semester. One day, we should finish our Austin exploration!

Jenny Li – When I get around to actually watching City Hunter, we should discuss!

Jonathan Fan – Dude, you make fun of me for it, but you're on Gmail as much as I am, lol! I hope you enjoyed your first semester of ABSA.

Josh Hu – I never thought we would hang out so much this semester, haha. It was fun! Thank you for everything, Mr. President.

Judy Lam – I would've been lost without you this semester. I don't think people realize what a capable, responsible, giving person you are.

Julia Chuang – Why are you graduating this spring? I'm going to miss you so much. Thank you for everything! Love you!

Julio Maldonado – I don't think I got to see you play soccer this semester. I hope that will change in spring!

Ka-Wai To – Dinner was great! If you ever want to hear the rest of the LAUNCH story, let me know.

Kevin Chu – It was a while ago, but thank you for helping me out with my car. I was very touched, and I'm glad to have you as a friend.

Kimberly Lin – What can I say that hasn't already been said? You are definitely my closest friend at UT. Thank you.

Klevrin Sitohang – I'm sorry about Ghana, Klevrin. Perhaps you'll be able to make a greater impact in the future.

Linda Ye – Hi Linda! I'll give you a hug if you read this!

Loan Khuu – Who cares if you're not in business? You have the potential to grow and go far in ABSA. Just try and see! Luther Fan – You're so capable, you make my job easy. LAUNCH would not have been a success without you!

Lyndsey Chong – I loved meeting you this semester! I don't ever mind being your ride to events. I want to be able to hang with you more!

Mei-Lynn Hua – We've survived until this point...We will make it to the end together! Never lose sight of your strength, Mei-Lynn.

Nhi Tran – Hey Nhi, why are you so talented? You're just spouting excellence all over the place!

Nina Tedjuwidjaja – Hi hi! I hope you are enjoying Bazinga, ABSA, and UT! It's great once you get used to it.

Pandy Shen – Hey Buddy! I hope everything's going well. If you ever need someone to talk to, about anything, I'm here.
Puja Machchhar – At this time last year, who knew we would be working in the same branch together? Life is full of surprises!

Qiao Tang – I'm proud of who I am and what I believe, no matter how much you make fun of me! xP

Quan Nguyen – I'm happy we got to have our brown bag, late as it was. College is tough, but let's fight through it together! Woot!

Sarah Qin – Queen Sarah, I humbly request that we hang out more. You make me smile, and I want to witness more of your fabulosity.

Sean Shen – Hey class buddy! We did it, we survived 311! Now to take on 312.... May the curve be ever in our favor.

Sherlley Loo – Our late-night excursion was epic. LET'S DO IT AGAIN! :D And this time, I preferably won't eat so much.

Stephanie Ham – I'm going to miss you while you are abroad. You bring a spark of life and light to ABSA that no one can

Taehoon Kim – Thank you for always being there. I wish you would allow us to give you more credit for all that you do. You deserve it.

Terence Ko – How's the farm coming along?

replicate.

Vincent Au – I'm glad you were my big sib this year! The world can't be so bad if there are people like you in it. I hope Ghana went well!

Kimberly Lin

Alex Nguyen – Thanks for countless hours of conversation and advice this semester. A lot of things wouldn't have happened without them:) Miss talking to you!

Alex Cui – Hope Lions isn't keeping you too busy, miss you seeing you around:(J2 lunch some time? ALSO, you owe me Mac 'N Cheese!:P

Amy Cui – Glad you're on finance team this year, we should hang out some time:) Andrew Huang – Hopefully you're enjoying this year as much as I am, we'll hang out more this semester!

Angela Wu Li – Lunch!!!! It's happening, just give me a date & time.

Ariel Kao – Thanks for being a great big sib and taking care of us littles :D

Armon Khorrami – Hi Armon :) I seem to see you around a lot, let's grab lunch some time.

Angela Meng – I'm glad we finally got to do that brown bag...lol. Don't worry about missing it that first time. Hope you enjoyed break.

Cari Pak – It was fun hanging out with you, Kristeen, and Sherry in Dallas. I'm glad we ended up in the same family!
Cassandra Chew – Thanks for your always happy and loving personality, esp. really late at night when we're doing MIS and you go all the way to bschool to bring us snacks and help us!

Chopin Chen – Hope you're enjoying consulting team!

Christine Lau – Enjoy your last semester, we should hang out when you're free!

Denny Ku – Dennyyyy! I'm going to miss you when you're away for your internship.

Daniel Li – Hiiiiii.

David Chen – Come to LA and we'll go to Little Tokyo.

David Wang – We should have a fig reunion some time:)

Elaine Cen – Miss you : (Come back into my life and we shall get caught up.

Emily Mi – Floor buddy! I always see you around our floor but we've never had a chance to talk, we should do a brown bag :)

Eric Allen – Thanks for the officer gift, it's really cute and I'll put it to use when you're back from Japan!

Erin Sun – Our late night MIS project turned out to be bad :/ I hope your guys' went well.

Frank Cheng – It was really fun chilling with you, Jane, and Mark in LA! Glad you got back safely and at the right airport :P Gong Chen – family :) come out to more events & hang out with me!

Helen Lee – Thanks for always taking care of us and making sure everyone's okay:) Don't know what I would do without you. Henry Shi – Thanks for always checking up on me and helping through my problems and such.

Isoken Omoruyi – ISOKENNN :) we take nice pictures together, ever since that

very first Dallas/OU weekend!

Jackson Pei – you and your Taylor Swift obsession....

Jaclyn Nguyen – I hope you've been doing well! I'm glad I got to attend your birthday dinner, hope you had a great break.

James Yang – Come get J2 lunch/dinner with me and Alex when he has time...

Jamison Soybel – Thanks for always being there for me, even at my lowest points & being so supportive! :) You da best.

Jane Tedjajuwana – I enjoyed our nice

conversations and good few days in LA, we shall do it again soon! I'm really glad you had a chance to chill and hang out!

Janet Zhou – I am so jealous of how good you are with words and you write the most thoughtful and sweetest things:) I hope you enjoyed winter break!

Jany Xu – I hope we don't have to pull another allnighter together for MIS ever

another allnighter together for MIS ever again...it was quite painful. Hope your guys' project turned out well!

Jason Guo – Mr. President! Hope you enjoyed that role, you did really great. We should grab lunch again, it's been some time since the last time we did that.

Jee-Ho Kang – So proud of you:) I remember talking to you about your visions just last year and you made it happen! I'm glad I got to be part of it even if it wasn't for long.

Jenny Che – Have a great time studying abroad! I really enjoyed our adventures before we left Austin, we should catch up when you return.

Jeffrey Fong – I'm glad I had the chance to be your first brown bag & hopefully you've had many more successful ones:) Jessica McCarthy – For once, nothing to say to you:)

Josh Hu – Thanks for all the support and everything you do to make sure everything's running smoothly! Hope you enjoyed break & had the chance to relax:)
Josh Yap – I'm definitely going to miss not having class with you: (it's going to be weird not seeing you every day.

Julia Chuang – Let's hang out, I never see you anymore :(

Justin Chao – I hope you enjoyed break back home!

Ka-Wai To – It was good catching up when we went to Five Guys. I hope you enjoy your last semester at UT, don't think of it as a bad thing!

Ken Nguyen – It's finally your last semester! Thanks for being a great team head and doing all you do:) Enjoy your last semester at UT too, make the most out of it.

Kevin Chu – You are an amazing cook, thanks for cooking dinner for Sherry and me:) I really enjoyed it, I hope you make lots of great memories during your last semester!

Klevrin Sitohang – I hope you enjoyed Ghana this break, tell me about your adventures there.

Kristeen Chan – Thanks for all the work that you do, dealing with all the families gets pretty busy. Come hang out with Your Family:)

Luther Fan – Luther, I miss our Mac 'N Cheese hangouts. We should have a reunion:) Good work with Launch too, you did an amazing job!

Mei-Lynn Hua — Thanks for all the hard work you do, I know it's super stressful but you're doing great and know that I'm here for you if you ever want to talk or just hang out!

Quan Nguyen – It's been long overdo, but do you still want to grab lunch/dinner some time? Sorry things have been so busy.

Regan Wang – I am amazed by all the things you do and all the passion you have towards the things you do! Keep it up:)
Richard He – I definitely miss seeing you around and hanging out like the past.
I hope you've been doing well though and glad we had the chance to catch up. Thanks for helping me always.

Robert Huynh – Missing you lots, we have lots to catch up on! Make sure to come back from India in one piece:)

Robert Ma – It's been a while since we grabbed a meal together, with Stephen: P Sean Shen – Hope you enjoyed break in Taiwan & quality time with your grandpa, we shall hang out more this coming semester and catch up soon!

Sherlley Loo – Roomie! Thanks for always being so sweet and making sure I'm okay, esp. when I pull all nighters. Looking forward to another semester with you.

Sherry Zeng – Thanks for being my rock & making sure everything goes well with me. I know you always watch over to make sure I'm okay:)

Stephanie Ham – I am going to miss seeing you around this coming semester, it's definitely not going to be the same. I expect to hear about Singapore when you're back: D and I have your photo book as well!

Stephanie Kao – Floor buddy! I'm glad we had a chance to get lunch last semester, it was fun having a brown bag with you.

Stephen Zhu – Catch up this semester

for sure! Sorry I didn't get lunch with you before we left Austin.

Taehoon Kim – Thanks for all those nice things you said at EOS :P I hope you had a great winter break and hopefully we'll get a chance to grab lunch this semester.

Terence Ko – Hi Terence. Catch up some time?

Zulian Tjuatja – I'm so glad you're enjoying ABSA and getting well integrated, we should grab lunch again. I really enjoyed our conversation last time!

Angela Meng

Janet Zhou – The limit of 100 characters is nowhere near enough for me to convey how much you mean to me. To a happy spring and many more!

Jeff Su – If I were Janet, I definitely would have bought you the Panini-presser. Not trying to imply anything. :P

Jenny Li – We were supposed to meet up over Winter break!! I blame me for getting sick, but I do hope we get to hang out soon.

Jason Guo – Since our walk, I've decided that all Kerby runs for emergency pancakes and French toast should be made past 4am.

Jeffrey Fong – Saw a kid in a dapper suit the other day, and thought of the baby tie you almost bought from Target. Haha.

Bonnie Leung – Hurray Scoring Careers Team! Thank you for your hardwork and getting projects done over winter break! Zulian Tjuatja – Hurray Scoring Careers Team! The video looks amazing. Thank you for always coming to meetings and pitching in fresh ideas!

Kimberly Lin – I really liked our brown bag together! Lunch again sometime soon? Josh Hu – My apologies, Mr. President. Spots for San Francisco CFT are all filled. Just kidding.

Cassandra Chew – I can't wait for our family's got talent plan to come into action!

Eric Allen – You are fabulous and fierce. I'm pretty sure you've heard all this before.

Helen Lee – Helen, there are few things I trust less than Sean playing mafia. One of them is you playing

mafia. I'm on to you, girl. :P

Jessica McCarthy – So, how about that brown bag sometime soon? :P

Andrew Huang – Get more sleep this semester. I don't know who told you 4 hours

in 3 days is enough, because it isn't.:P

Cindy Kuang – Whisper, whisper, whisper.

Emily Mi – Let's hang out more this semester! If we're not too swamped down with work/MIS/etc. that is. Haha

Hannah Kang – I'm taking social dance next semester! Teach me your amazing dance skills!

Isoken Omoruyi – I promise that sometime this semester, I will go to one of your jam sessions! Let's go

Karaoking again sometime too!

Jany Xu – We should go out to find a massage parlor together. That way we can both get massages

Justin Chao – I still think that you have a wonderful personality.

Loan Khuu – Stop sending me Nutella. I love you, but please stop. My thighs can't take much more.

Terence Ko – Bubble bubble bubble pop. Bubble, bubble pop-pop.

Yiwen Xu – Ready to get back in full clown make-up for another round of filming?

Jany Xu

Jason Watt – Thanks for checking up on me during studying. Looking forward to the bao zi talks and late-night food adventures to come:)

Janet Zhou – Hey princess, great job so far as VP! Glad we got to hang out more often this year. Cheers to the new year!

Hannah Kang – Kekeke, :) Thanks for always being there for me. I still need to take you on a date sometime!

Josh Hu – Thanks so much for all the help and advice you've given me. Awesome

and advice you've given me. Awesome job as president and big sib! Don't get too stressed.

Terence Ko – Uncle I'm so sad this is your last semester, but glad you're a Big Sib for the best family ever! #JKLove

Taehoon – Hi Mom! Thanks for taking care of the family. You have an awesome caring heart and I'm so glad you're my big sib this year.

Stephanie – Stay safe studying abroad, but come home soon. JK isn't gonna be quite the same without you.

Jeff Su – Great job as careers director! You're amazing at juggling life. Thanks for all the times you've gone out of your way to help me.

Angela Meng – It was really nice to meet you this year! Thanks for the times you visited me when I was holed up in the quiet lounge.

Jason Guo – I don't appreciate your sneaky picture taking in the quiet lounge. Nonetheless, great job as professional director during GMs!

Emily Mi – I'm so glad to have you in our external branch as the freshman baby! Looking forward to another year with you in external.

Matt Shao – I'm so glad you enjoyed ABSA this year and that you're in my branch. Hope your semester this year won't be too stressful..

Cassandra Chew – You're a wonderful VP, but a terribly hard person to shop for :p. Thanks for all the times you've picked up for our slack <3

Lisa Liu – You are such a beast at drawing. I'm so honored to get to work beside you as publicity director this year!

Rohit Kandimalla – You're a genius especially when it comes to pinatas :p. Lols at the freakout sessions about superglue with Emily.

Angela Wu-Li – I'm so happy to have you in my family AND branch this year. T-rex hands and chain of mates XD.

Erin Sun – Hey roomie! Thanks for being so patient and putting up with me this semester. Cheers to another semester:)

Jon Chang – Two things- 1) Please teach me your awesome baking skills 2) We still need to grab a brown bag together XD

John Chen – Yes, I promise I will schedule you for the lunch bet we need to do. Oh, and you're such a troll.

Helen Lee – Fellow media director, you're doing an awesome job as Admin VP! Please get sleep and don't pull a Louis :p.

Isoken Omoruyi – Thanks so much for the jam session and letting me play on the drums. Congrats on getting Mr. ABSA!

Quan Nguyen – Thanks for all the hard work and effort you put into ABSA! You're always reliable and supportive.

Jackson Pei – Oh look there's something on you. -scoop- GOTCHA!

Jessica McCarthy – Don't stress to much. You're doing an awesome job as Academic VP. Haha and make sure to get out of Reliant XD

Daniel Lee – So glad I met you this year and that you're in the JK family. Don't forget to have fun even if you're MPA.

Christine Lau – I'M SO HAPPY FOR YOU!

Congrats again for the job offer you got and now go enjoy your senior year!

Kevin Chu – Uncle thanks for always being so caring about me even though I'm not in your family this year. Wish you a fun

senior year!

Qiao Tang – You're troll to the most extreme, but super helpful when it counts. Hope to hang out more with the Bazinga family this year.

Vincent Au – If Qiao is a troll, you're the troll's father. Thanks when you'd tell me about your awesome night while I slaved away at accounting ><.

Denny Ku – Just for you -waving hands in the air- HIHIHIHIHIHIHIHIHIHIHI!!!

Andrew Huang – So glad that you're in my family! Hopefully we'll get time to play frisbee. Awesome job as financial director!

Robert Ma – Haha, thanks for keeping me in the game during the whole academic year. Breakfast club forever:)

Stephen Zhu – Looking forward to STA 375 together xD Awesome job as admin director this semester!

Sarah Qin – Hi there! I'm so glad you're in my family and I love the sass. Enjoy your freshman year and looking forward to more JK memories.

Luther Fan – Thanks so much for all the help with architecture this semester.

Haha, nothing like chilling in the back, eh?

Andy – It was nice meeting you during KAB. I'm so glad you've joined ABSA! Let me know if you need help with anything.

Michelle – Celliiii (yes I still remember that nickname XD)! Enjoy your freshman year and let me know if you need anything.

Jason Jeng – Hey Sarge! I don't think I could've survived this semester without you. Thanks for the drills and motivational speeches. #duck-sized horses

Matt Lau – Thanks for being so encouraging during finals week! I'm glad that you're a part of ABSA and look forward to the memories to come:)

Jane Tedjajuwana – I'm so glad I got to work with you during the E&Y case comp this year. Seen too many sunrises together XD

Jason Guo

Angela Meng – Hello fellow adventurer, it was a blessing to be able to undertake epic journeys with you! ;)

Janet Zhou – Dear Master, your will is my command. Thanks for whipping me into shape! Yours truly, Herpy.

Jeff Su – PB and Jiffy. Omnomnomnom. Hi. You're a funny leader. You never cease to impress me. Jeffrey Fong – Jefffff! You're awesome. Thanks for being a great professional director and friend! Derpy and Herpy! Jenny Li – Jennnnayyyyyyy. You're hilarious. Let's eat together more often!

Jenny Li

Janet Zhou – IMPORTANT: please teach me to read a menu in Chinese before I leave for Shanghai this summer!!! Nhi Tran – I'm so happy you joined ABSA this year and we get to party with the same people now.;)

Eric Allen – Happy belated birthday, again. Your 21st was off the chain!;)

Jenny Che – I'm going to miss you so much when you're in HK next semester. :(
Mei-Lynn Hua – You're one of the sweetest people in ABSA.

Jessica McCarthy – I'm so happy I got to know you better this semester, especially at 3 AM over accounting.

Luther Fan – THANK GOODNESS BA324 IS OVER.

Isoken Omoruyi – You are one of the sweetest guys I know, happy to call Mr. ABSA my friend!

Emily Mi – Oh hey, Daffron-Robinson-Jasper-West friend!

Sherlley Loo – Scoring Careers buddy, we need to hang out some more. Thanks for all your hard work this semester on the logistics committee!

Louis Yu – Where ya been, ex-officer? **Jason Watt** – Thanks for being so willing to help with San Fran!

Jiffy Su – Sorry I missed your birthday surprise. I awkwardly sat right through it. We still need to master the bro handshake, htw

Zifeng Wang – Thanks for all your hard work as a Brown Rice big sib!

Erin Sun – I'm so happy I got to know you better this semester!

Jackson Pei – Please help me with accounting again next semester, I know I'll need it.

Ben Don – Remember that time you almost killed us driving to Hi-Tunes? I do. But anyways, thanks for being a great big sib! I seriously appreciate all that you do for Brown Rice and you are always a lot of fun to be around!

Ruyi Yao – Your Instagram pictures of all the delicious food you eat make me very hungry/jealous.

Tracy Trieu – You are always so much fun to be around, looking forward to another

semester together!

Jonathan Fan – I'm so happy I met you this semester! You are such a talented musician and thanks for helping me with my Chinese, haha.

Angela Meng – Girlfriend, what would I do without you? Thanks for being such a great friend/co-director. I can't wait to go to San Fran together!

Jason Guo – Since we both apparently have no friends, we should go to Madam Mam's more often. Because that pad thai I had last time was really good.

Joyce Zuo – Can't wait to go to Shanghai with you this summer!!!

Jeffrey Fong – You are so much fun to be around, we should party together again!;)
And I really like your J Crew shirts!

Lucy Hu – So glad I met you this semester! **Johnathan Ler** – Boy, you CRAY. But seriously, the dedication that you have as a director is awesome!

Cindy Kuang – Thanks for responding to my 2 AM tests about Stats HW, haha.;) Sam Lehardi – I'm so happy I met you this year! Petroleum engineers are the coolest!;)

Morgan Hah – You are such a bundle of fun and are doing such a good job as exec director – keep it up!

Puja Machchhar – Thanks for introducing me to JewelMint....kind of. My spontaneous mid-study session purchases are not doing my bank account any favors. :P
Sally Fang – I'm happy you've become

more involved in ABSA this year! **Zack Kingsak** – We still haven't officially had our brown bag yet, you know.

Freda Xia – Y U SO GOOD AT ACCOUNT-ING?! But seriously, I'm glad I met you this semester and thanks for being so active in Brown Rice!

Henry Shin – You seemed really cool when we met at Eric's birthday, lunch sometime?

Christopher Wang – And you get the award for most involved! Thanks for stopping by to say hi in Jester and btw, you give awesome hugs!

Kristy Liang – Thanks for all your hard work in logistics team. SC wouldn't be the same without you!

Bonnie Leung – Good luck in your RA interview, I know you'll do great!

Jamison Soybel – So glad I met you this semester, we should definitely hang out

Daniel Li – Remember when I introduced myself right before the accounting final? Classic.

Yiwen Xu – I have to show you all the cute stuff I got over Christmas!

Lisa Liu

External Branch – Thank you for letting me be a part of your family. I hope to make many more fond memories with you guys this year!

Cassandra Chew – You are the nicest, most patient officer anyone could ever ask for :] It's been an honor! I promise I'll go to more internal and family events this semester ~

Jany Xu – Thanks for all your hard work, Publicity buddy! I still don't understand how you work magic in PowerPoint, but keep it up! And don't get too obsessed with Answer Me 1997 lol

Hannah Kang – It's been a blessing getting to know you more! We still need to eat Korean food together and talk more haha. Erin Sun – I have yet to find another person who likes Gintama other than you haha. Thank you for your hard work last semester!

Angela Li Wu – It was great meeting you! I hope to get to know you more and keep working together next semester:]

Emily Mi – Thank you for working so hard this year! Keep up the good work! And thank you for trusting my questionable driving skills haha

Rohit Kandimalla – Thank you for all your hard work this year! I hope we can work together more next semester and go on more outings (with not just the girls haha)

Matt Shao – Good work in external this year:] I hope to get to know you better and keep on going this year!

Chopin Chen – Hi, Lame-As-A-Rob and Library Wars buddy :D It was awesome hanging out with you hehe.

Janet Zhou – I can't begin to describe the appreciation I have toward your testimony. I see you're already making great waves in ABSA, and I'm so thankful for your presence this year. I pray that God can keep blessing you and ABSA!

Stephanie Ham – Thank you for being a great friend for the longest time! I hope things are going well with Marketing Team everything else:]

Jenna Lin – Hi thar, roomie:] Keep up the good work with the Informer! We shall have many more adventures next semester hehe

Yiwen Xu – You fashionable person, you. Your wardrobe is gorgeous and end-

less lol. I still can't thank you enough for encouraging me so much last year for SC:] Amber Liang – I don't see you around a whole lot, do I? We should hang out more and talk art! I'm very touched by your offer to help me with the next EOS background too:D

Cassie Wang – I knew it was fate when I recognized Alicexz's work on your shirt haha (I have a Threadless shirt drawn by her now too!) Thank you for being a great friend and fellow BBC-lover!

Justin Chao – Thank you for being such a supportive friend for so long! I know I'm not the most open person when it come to taking suggestions, so I really appreciate your outgoing-ness and great attitude. Alex Nguyen – Thanks for the constant encouragement, friendly words, and nice hugs in the Mil Lab, especially when I'm stressed out:)

Amanda Alameda – I see you've had so many adventures last semester abroad; do share :D And thanks for keeping Ravenclaw family together even through this year!

Tammy Tran – It was fun drawing Sherlock and John for you this break! And you always have the most fun posts on Tumblr haha. I still have yet to start season 5 of Merlin tho.

Terence Ko – I still haven't heard how you liked that Ace Attorney movie haha.

Eric Allen – Your posts about the latest Shonen Jump chapters every week got me back into Bleach and Naruto Iol. Thank you for your neverending enthusiasm and har work!

Jason Guo – Music class (complaint) buddy, haha. It was great getting to know you more!

Maria Mai

Kelvin Nguyen – You make everyone around you smile by your smile when you smile at everything. (: Keep brightening up ABSA! (: Can't wait to hang out with you spring semester!

Emily Mi – I love your style and your personality! You're doing a great job with the ABSA volunteering events!

Josh Hu – Amazing president! I don't know how you do it! I need more motivation, but I don't think girls are enough motivation for me. X]

Jessica McCarthy – Super sweet, super short, yet super amazing. You may be small but you can definitely lead! Keep up the great work Jessica!

Regan Wang – Your optimism makes me smile! I love that you always believe in me even though I don't believe in myself. You're the best!

Elvis Yang – Ah! This guy! Talking and hanging out with you is the best. We need more of these!

Zack Kingsak – Eww. <3 Just kidding. Your sassiness is so contagious! I love hanging out with you. You did great with EOS!

Johnathan Ler – Ewwer. <3 haha. Jk! Best dancer dude. I'm scared to battle you!

Great job putting together EOS!

Betty Wang – I really hope you can read this, but I doubt it because I know you're going to Hong Kong... or China... X] Thanks for being such a helpful Peer Academic Coach! You taught me a lot with ABSA and internships! I want to follow your foot-

Kristeen Chan – Beautiful in every way! You're doing a great job as a family director! I love all the games you and your partner taught us!

steps!

Janet Zhou – Not only can you lead ABSA, you can also sing... and dance!! Teach me your ways!!!

Cassandra Chew – You always seem to have a smile on your face and I love it! Being a ABSA VP is stressful, but you do your duties with happiness! Props!

Jane Tedjajuwana – Great job with LAUNCH! I love being on your team! Yeah logistics!

Tracy Trieu – It was great working on LAUNCH with you! Yeah logistics!

Jeffrey Fong – I'm glad I met you at camp!
It was great getting to know you Fall semester!

Helen Lee – Everyone speaks wonderfully about you! That means I need to get to know you this Spring semester!

Mei-Lynn Hua – You're gorgeous and a great role model! I hope I could transfer into the business school like you did! Eric Allen – Thanks for helping me out with LLA! And EOS was awesome! Nice job talking about the whole semester at

John Chen – We're really different but it's so easy for me to talk to you! I'm glad you were my brown bag buddy!

the banquet!

Kimberly Lin – You're a great financial VP! You're spending wisely and I know it because we don't seem to have any financial problems! Keep up the great work!

Angela Li – Ay girl! We need to have lunch more often! (;

Michael Gu - You have a caring and con-

siderate personality! Perfect for being a big for Hulk Smash! (:

Paul Nguyen

Jazmine Hsu-Kei – I just wanted to thank you for being there for me during my first semester @ UT. You've been a great help in all of my classes and it really sucks that you'll be getting ahead in your business classes this semester while I am left in the dust. :(Anyways, I wish you the best of luck and I am sure you'll do well, munchkin!

Sarah Qin

Andrew Huang – I'm pretty sure starfish don't make a "glub glub" sound...

Angela Meng – So...about that rap duo act...when should we start rehearsing?;D Angela Wu Li – Now that the Hamster is studying abroad, I guess you are my new ABSA girl crush;)

Armon Khorrami – Unofficial JK big sib! Thanks for all that you do!:D

Cathy Shen – Favorite cousin!!! So glad you came back from Prague and joined JK! <3

Cindy Kuang – Admin branch expert! Thanks for helping everyone out so much! Clairine Veronica – I think you have the prettiest name haha!

Daphne Thammasila – My cousin and I were trying to figure out why you are so pretty the other day, and we realized it was because you have happy eyes:D

David Wang – Come out to more admin socials! You're the only person in admin who hasn't been placed on the hot seat yet!

Eric Allen – I hope to one day be as divalicious as you! <3 Also, if you ever need a massage, you know Hu to ask!;D

Emily Mi – You're so cute! And responsible! Thanks for always filling out the event recap forms so thoroughly!:)

Enoch Tsai – Still can't believe that you're younger than me...

Eunji Seo – I look forward to GM's every week just so I can rub elbows with you!:D **Frank Cheng** – FunFunFrank the 107 year-old kangaroo! Keep on bouncing my friend!

Hannah Kang – You have the most adorable heart-shaped face! <3

Helen Lee – You're everyone's role model in ABSA, so keep doing yo' thanggg!:D **Huyen Tran** – You>>>>>Food. That's

how much I love you.

Isoken Omoruyi – So excited that you're representing ABSA at Mr. McCombs competition! Best of luck! (although you really don't need it because I know you'll do a fantabulous job!:D)

Jackson Pei – T-swizzle is the shizzle<3 And so are your workshops!:)

Jamison Soybel – Most underrated troll in ABSA...shake my head :P

Jane Tedjajuwana – Nadal < Djokovic < Tedjajuwana < Federer (Based on tennis skill of course)

Janet Zhou – Renesmee.....nuff said lolo!!xD

Jany Xu – Great minds think alike!;D Also, thanks for letting me borrow your pink fuzzy slippers!

Jason Guo – I love your sleeping pics album on facebook haha! Hope to never make an appearance in it though! :P Jason Jeng – How's your essay coming along? You better have it ready by the

time you graduate! :P

Jason Watt – Although you are mean to me 90% of the time, I appreciate you for explaining game theory so well to me! I'm an expert on it now

Jee-Ho Kang – My chauffer!;D I'll bake you cookies when you start coming to more ABSA events:P

Jenna Lin – Your fb profile picture has so much swag, it's crazy! Please share some of it with the rest of us!;D

Jessica McCarthy – Epitome of fabulosity! I love your smile!:D

Johnathon Lehr – "Make Me Proud" karaoke! It's gonna happen!

Josh Hu – You always ask me who I think is the best looking officer in last year's panel. My answer will always be Grace.
Julia Chuang – Thanks for being such a

caring and adorable big sib for JK!<3 I was sad when Stephanie left, but you've made me happy again!

Kelvin Nguyen – I will get you to eat that salad someday soon! Muahahahaha >:D **Luther Fan** – Cool as a cucumber! How are you always so calm? Teach me your waysss.

Maria Mai – So stylish! I wish I was as fashionable as you!

Mei-Lynn Hua – Super woman! You've always got it all together! Hopefully I can be like that one day!

Morgan Hah – I feel like every time I run into you, it's in the bathroom or reliant lol. Let's have a legitimate conversation soon!

Nhi Tran – So skilled at soccer, photography, dodgeball, and.....oh yeah, pretty

much everything else haha!

Regan Wang – Every time I see you, you are smiling! I strive to have as much positive energy as you!

Sam Lehardi – Thanks to you, I am now inspired to check and respond back to group text messages more often!

Sean Shen – Nice to meet last semester, but still hoping to get to know you better haha! We should have a brown bag sometime:)

Sherlley Loo – That one tea brownie was heavenly! We need to go shopping together at the Domain again!:D

Stephanie Del Paggio – Hey soul sistaaa! I love how we love the same things!:D

Stephanie Ham – I hope you're having a

blast studying abroad! Singapore is lucky to have you <3

Stephanie Qin – Graduated from ABSA, yet you still want an Informer shoutout LOLxD Haha well here ya go seester! :P

Stephen Zhu – "Na, na, na, diva is a female version of a hustla, of a hustla, of a, of a hustla!" Is it sad the Beyonce knows you better than I do?

Taehoon Kim – If I could have half your grace and charm, I would be one satisfied individual. Also, because of Josh's feminine nature, I think I will call you "Papa Tae Tae" from now on!

Terence Ko – Despite your psychotic moments, I definitely consider you as one of the most loveable uncles I'll ever have!xD **Vickie Wang** – We never had our branch brown bag last semester! Let's have it sometime this year

Yiwen Xu – From good ol' church days to ABSA! I'm glad to have known you for so long!

Zack Kingsak – One day I will surpass your levels of sassiness! You just wait and see! :P

Sean Shen

Andrew Huang – Awesome getting to know you man. Serving with you under Masta Chief has been my life's honor. Cassandra Chew – Look! It's Robert! Loan Khuu – So hard to get.....

Terrence Ko – Thanks for all the rides man. All the spontaneous fun times with Terrence!

Jeff Fong – So fancy, all the time... making me look so shabby, dude!

Jason Guo – Best 4th roommate eva!

Robert Ma – Thanks for being such a great

brother to me!

Stephen Zhu – Thanks for being patient with me bro! Thanks for being such a great carry

Jeff Su – Roommate dinner!!!!!

Angela Meng – Keep up the dancing!
You're gonna be amazing I know it!
Hannah Kang – Thanks for pointing me in the right direction! And for being such a truthful and awesome sister!
Kimberly Lin – All Salute! Masta Chief!

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Sherry Zeng

Internal – Best Branch EVER! Always here for each other and making each other laugh. Love all of you to pieces.

Eric – Do I even need words?

Kristeen – HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU WON'T FIT IN THIS SHOUTOUT

Cari - Got you that keychain =)

Robert – High 65.

Anson – "Someone told me you liked coffee..."

Elvis – SK. Heh. But really, thank you for that heart to heart!

Drewby – Those NYC selfies, dawg.

Ben - Since 2007 boy!

Zack – SON. We have yet to...eat a meal.

Johnathan - Adopted son. Proud of you.

Patrick – Ex-internal-VP. Thanks for always being around =)

Andrew – Thank you x 39489384.

Angela C – Miss our weekly meetings and pictures and story time.

Angela M – Most active little sib award.

Betty – Gonna miss you girrrl, enjoy Hong

Kong, and only a skype away

Christine – Always a smile on your face and a hug, love you.

Cristina – Mentorship group buddies! Ramen Tatsuya will happen one day =)

Frank – Art thou sleeping or praying?

Hannah – Please tutor me in WCS. I don't know why, but I just can't do it.

Isoken – That lunch never happened!!

Jackson - About that lunch catch up...

Jamison – Tiffwich + Tiffblitz + monthly hangouts

Jason G – I've gotten used to having you in my car, except when you're sitting next to Jason Watt, that becomes a problem.

Jason W – Lang zai.

Jazmine – Buddy! Hope you're doing well

Jee-Ho – So, about those door tags...

Jeff – Come find me, I have thy gift(s).

Jenny – I still admire you for braving through Jester on-calls.

Jerry – Enjoy Singapore! You shall be missed.

Kevin C – That ahi tuna steak.

Kelvin – The hardest worker I know.

Klevrin – About those beach resort pictures...Jelly.

Loan – Sweet brown bag, let's have another one.

Morgan - Pencil skirts, blouses, stilettos.

Ruyi – Still remember that wedding incident outside Quarters, lawlz.

Taehoon - Dat massage.

Terence – Please enlighten me on the bathing suit industry =)

Yiwen – I promise I won't be as stressed the next time you see me.

Zulian – Hey, I passed Astronomy.

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