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## Letter from the Editors

Hey guys, we're so proud to put this baby out for you all to see! We know it seems a bit late, but we promise you all that extra time is gonna pay off when you open these pages. It's quite amusing (and frustrating) to us that words cause us so much time and effort to just put on a page. Apparently, user interface is very important. And apparently, user

interfaces can't just be things thrown on the page.

After the last issue, there were a few minor errors in the Informer, and with the dawn of a new semester and year, we intend on not just changing them for the better but to exceed our own expectations. The first issue we put out was definitely a huge learning curve for us; errors we didn't see on the computer suddenly became glaringly wrong in print. But with these fails, we learned to not just notice errors but to

take note of them for future reference.

All in all, putting together the Informer has not just made us up our design game but also appreciate the people who helped us get there. Great thanks to the Media Directors Steven, Sylvia, and Krystina for putting a literal picture in the readers' minds as they flip through these pages. Also, massive appreciation goes to our VP, Kelvy. In the first admin branch meeting of the year, you asked us what we looked for in a VP and while we all had different answers, it was pretty much agreed on that we wanted our VP to be patient, understanding, and always there. We're pretty sure you've got that covered 110%. And last but not least, tears of gratefulness to everyone who wrote articles or shout outs over break. You not only make us great, but you guys also make ABSA into the organization that pushes everyone to exceed expectations. We couldn't have done it without you all.

Lastly, with the start of a new semester, everyone moves onto new changes. Not just changes in class schedules or changes in the weather, but changes in the new people you meet and the person you are becoming. The Informer is going to be changing as well. We'll always be looking for improvements. Sadly, the Informer is also going to change through a more literal change. One of us, Esther Kim, is leaving the Informer and well, Flo is blatantly sobbing. But, we are excited to see who will fill the awesomeness of Esther's shoes.

So, now is the time to find yourself and if you're not happy with something, change it! We hope you guys will have an awesome semester:)

Sincerely, Florence Sung and Esther Kim

## GENERAL MEETINGS

### GM #9: Chevron

mickev li

Like every company GM, the Chevron GM offered good free food. What made this GM truly unique, however, was the speaker and her topic: former president Jeena Lee came to talk to us about Asian Leadership in the 21st century corporate environment. While she extolled some Asian virtues, she offered some tips to shed potential stereotypes and better assimilate into the work environment.

Let me offer an example: Asians, Jeena noted, typically value harmony and tend to avoid conflict. While this mode of living has worked well for many in their personal lives, she suggested that it would not hurt to get involved in office politics. Though office politics can often become an episode of controversy, they do allow for stronger connections to be formed - making the right connections, Jeena would then go on to say, is crucial in

breaking the bamboo ceiling.

Many ABSA members, myself included,

felt there was a lot to take away from her message. Her topic was pleas-

antly unique yet undeniably relevant, one that not only examined a societal issue but also proffered a

роtential solution. Every com-

GM speaks to a different aspect of our professional lives, and I'm glad this one hit home for many.

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### Family GM #2 helena shi

Patches of red, blue, green, yellow, and orange filled GAR 0.102 as ABSA's Families mingled, amiably chatting, yet simultaneously sizing each other up. The room buzzed with nervous anticipation, until finally, the long-anticipated continuation of ABSA's very own Family Hunger Games began!

In the first round, each family selected six family members to risk their life, neck strength, and dignity in a deadly game of Ready Spaghetti. "Jane and I volunteer as tribute!" My hand shot in the air, and we excitedly skipped to the front, "Bring it on, spaghetti!!! OG's gonna slay."

Unfortunately, the spaghetti won; no matter how we tried to transport the empty Sprite cans across the

table, the spaghetti strand between our lips snapped each and every time. :(

It's okay, though! Our family redeemed ourselves in the second round, during

which five brave souls battled over an essential supply for survival: food. In an exciting relay, we chowed down a hard-boiled egg

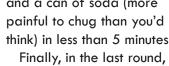
> (fully cooked this time), a messy ice cream sandwich (brain freeze!), a bar of chocolate, saltine crackers

and a can of soda (more painful to chug than you'd think) in less than 5 minutes.

we huffed, we puffed, and ...we did not blow a house

down, but we did try our best to keep a tissue in the air for as long as possible! Please see the picture for full effect – after all, pictures speak louder than words!

In the end, there was no final showdown, no survival of the fittest, and no fight to the death (check out page 18 if you're into that!). But through friendly competition, our families all bonded, growing in camaraderie and ready to face each other again at the next Family GM.



### GM #10: Deloitte sang-yop kwon

At our tenth GM of the year, we were joined with five speakers from Deloitte, each of whom spoke about a different area of Deloitte. Among those speakers was ABSA alumni Jocelyn Lee, who also happens to be a former president. Being in the presence of alumni makes me nervous, but being in the presence of a former president makes me even more nervous.

Probably the part of this GM that stuck out to me the most was taxes and how many different branches of taxes there are at Deloitte. I also got a black notebook for asking a question about

the before mentioned taxes. So up until this GM, I wasn't very sure of what exactly Deloitte was a company for. A lot of different ABSA members would talk about Deloitte, visiting Deloitte, getting

an internship at Deloitte, getting a iob with Deloitte, etc., but I didn't know what they were talking about.

So to start, we were asked a simple question.

What four areas does Deloitte

and not knowing anything about Deloitte in the first place, I was already lost. Thankfully, other members spoke up and answered correctly. Audit. Tax. Consulting. Financial Advisory Services.

Being in the audience

Being the science major that I am, I only kind of knew what one of those four things was. Tax. Even then. I

was pretty shaky on the details.

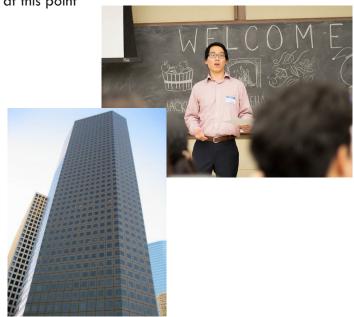
Deloitte.

Each of the speakers went into the different services that each branch offers, and we also talked about internships. It was at this point

that a few ABSA members who have interned with or done programs through Deloitte stood up and spoke to us about their experiences. I remember Sabeeha mentioning that Deloitte University has amazing food.... I love amazing food.

All in all, Deloitte had many interesting opportunities to talk about, and I now have a much better understanding of what it is Deloitte does. I would also like to note that we often have the opportunity to work with Deloitte through events such as JA in a Day and March for Babies and would like to encourage everyone to take an interest in working with companies in events like these when the opportunities present themselves.





## GM #12: ConocoPhillips alex hui

The wintery chill began its final journey creeping along as the semester trickled down to its last days. Garrison Hall was once again packed with students across from all walks of life. The chatter and bustling filtered through the halls to the wooden doors that touched the chilly air. We had approached the last professional general meeting of the year. In typical holiday spirit we were not only thankful for family and friends, but also gave thanks to kind folks from ConocoPhillips.

The members filed in like an army of ants cautiously strategizing their desired homes. As the commotion settled down our heads turned and swiveled with eagerness

and confusion as our guest of honor was absent from stage. As minutes past the faces of the officers grew weary and the crowd began to rustle. Alas, the day

was saved as a thunderous boom ignited throughout the room. Our guests of honor had arrived. The first was a women of middle age filled with wisdom and experience soft spoken but intelli-

> gent. The other was a recent araduate who immediately positioned himself as the court jester. Our speakers gave fulfilling introductions about Cono-

coPhillips. They provided invaluable insight on the industry and company. In addition, it was a wonder-

ful opportunity to learn more about the oil and gas industry of the business realm. However, what made the general meeting so memorable was the contrast of our speakers. The lady's' words permeated through the air with immense knowledge and experience. However, her style clashed with the jocular answers and jokes of the recent hire. He was able to relate to us in a comical way that brighten the mood. The event showed us that while we enter the real world and mature; we can still find moments that bring us joy and laughter.



### GM #13: Holiday GM amanda shang

Happy Christmas! Merry Holidays! The last GM of the semester was one you couldn't miss. Students eagerly filled the room, everyone chattering about finals week stress and the much anticipated winter break. Our beloved president kicked off the GM by quickly brushing through important safety precautions for the break. Next was the final showdown between Karen Shang and Trini Tran for

the Assassins title. Eyes followed Karen as she scrambled down the stairs, Trini trailing close behind. Everyone watched in suspense as Trini chucked her weapon at Karen, who was flailing for her life. The room burst into excited cheers as they crowned Trini the Assassins champion!

Following the epic showdown were the amazing Mr. McCombs auditions by our four talented candidates. Sean Lin started off surprising the crowd with entertaining tricks on the Chinese yo-yo. Next, Sangbin Kwon captured hearts of many with his melodic voice and kpop song. Rui Mateo's cover of "Shake It Up" on the ukulele brought smiles to the members as we all chimed in together. Finally, after presenting a video of his impressive wushu performance, Gordon Tsai wowed the crowd with his masterful sword skills. After a final vote.

Gordon was selected to be the ABSA representative for the Mr. McCombs Pageant! At the end, the officers concluded with encouraging words and helpful tips for the upcoming finals week.



## PROFESSIONAL

### Learning, Your Way!

n light of the upcoming final exam week, participants who attended the Learning, Your Way workshop got a lesson on how to learn.

The workshop—held on November 17—featured Professor Jeremy Dearman, a graduate student majoring in Educational Psychology here at UT. Dearman's interests in learning, information processing and concentration were especially evident in his enthusiastic lecture on how to maximize the learning experience.

With the help of a powerpoint, Dearman discussed topics that covered concentration, selecting main ideas, knowledge acquisition strategies and self-testing. He also elaborated on finding a personalized study spot and making judgments on what material is more or just the memorization of information.

To demonstrate his points, Dearman initiated a few interactive activities. For one activity

Selecting Main Ideas
Concentration

less important to learn.
Additionally, he covered
the difference between
the synthesis and application of information versus

pertaining to main ideas, workshop participants were asked to draw a one hundred dollar bill with as much detail as possible. In another activity, participants had to answer questions about a confusing passage by processing information and forming mental connections. A deep-breathing activity was also administered to train focus and concentration.

Overall, Learning, Your Way was an informative and educational workshop with a lively and engaging speaker. Hopefully many students will remember his strategies and advice whether they approach studying, learning, or exam-taking!





## Study Abroad Workshop macy huang

Far-flung destinations, exotic cultures, and unfamiliar tongues can excite the palate of many individuals. Thus, myriad students take advantage of the unique opportunity to study abroad during their college years.

In order to better inform ABSA members about studying abroad, Academic Branch put on a Study Abroad Workshop in November, featuring a panel of upperclassmen and an official representative from the BBA Study Abroad Office.

The upperclassmen in

attendance had all studied abroad before, and they represented various locations across the globe, ranging from Singapore and Hong Kong to Edinburgh and Vienna. They shared insights regarding their typical weeks, balancing schoolwork and tourism, and their favorite memories of traveling and meeting new people from all walks of life.

We were also fortunate enough to have junior, Emily Mi send in a video from Paris where she had been studying abroad this past semester. All of the upperclassmen highly encouraged studying abroad, showering accolades on the academic and personal growth aspects one can experience from becoming immersed in a new culture. The two-to four-day school weeks weren't bad either.

It was also mentioned that in an increasingly interconnected world, students who study abroad may appear more marketable to employers. They will have demonstrated that they can step out of their comfort zones and transition easily into new experiences.

Those who attended

were able to have their questions answered both by the upperclassmen and the official representative. Workshop participants were additionally able to benefit by receiving credit for attending an official Study Abroad Information Session, which is required if they ever want to study abroad on a BBA Exchange Program.

Overall, it was wonderful to learn more about making the world your classroom and developing a broader understanding of global cultures.

## Mock Interview Marathon mickey li

People always say that college is the time to build connections, and sometimes, you build connections best when you give back. Such was the case for our upperclassmen interviewers, who volunteered their time on a Tuesday evening to provide mock behavioral and case interviews for underclassmen.

Mock interviews lasted for 30 minutes each in the Frito-Lay Center with some time at the end for questions and feedback. Underclassmen had to choose a real job on OCR (On-Campus Recruiting) to "apply" to, thus giving them an opportunity to research companies and industries. Additionally, the

event was a great chance for underclassmen to meet and befriend an expe-

rienced upperclassman whose career interests might be similar.

Many of the under-

classmen who participated felt there was much to take away. "I didn't know I had this bad habit of moving around constantly in my chair", one partici-

pant noted, "and I had no idea nonverbal communication sent such a strong

message, but I'm grateful that my interviewer pointed it out." Another participant reflected upon her experience and stated that this event not only taught her about the case interview process, but also provided her with helpful feedback on her first actual case interview.

No matter how well it went, there is always room for improvement and innovation. Perhaps next time, the interviews might even be conducted over the phone... stay tuned for ROUND TWO, this upcoming semester!

P.S. Thank you to all the upperclassmen who volunteered last semester!



## Startup Simulation lisa feng

When business students are asked what kind of career they want to pursue after graduation, they often respond with investment banking, consulting, accounting, etc. Rarely do people respond with, "I want to build my own startup company." For the majority of business students, resources for recruiting with their career field of interest are plentiful, some of which include networking receptions, career expos, and employer coffee chats. However, for the students who are interested in entrepreneurship, not as many opportunities are available for them at the undergraduate level.

With that in mind, ABSA hosted its first ever Start-

up Simulation this year.
The purpose was to provide students with the opportunity to connect with local Austin entrepreneurs and receive guidance from them while simulating the mindset that compa-

to create an innovate idea centered around machine learning for a startup company and pitch their idea in front of a panel of accomplished entrepreneurs.

A wide variety of

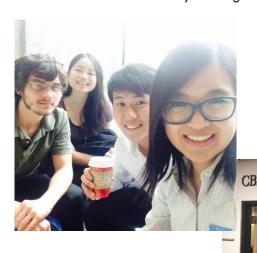


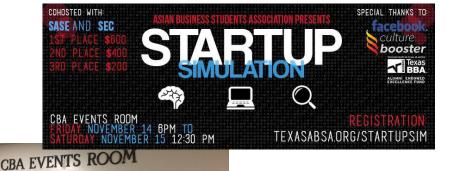
ny founders go through when starting a company. Students worked in cross-functional teams that mostly consisted of business, computer science, and engineering majors. They were given the task

creative ideas for startup companies were presented, ranging from restaurant apps to the winning team's idea of an app that would personalize your own schedule for you by simply taking a

picture of a flyer with dates on it. Congrats to the ABSA team members, Susan Deng, Samuel Frost, Amanda Tan, and James Zhang for placing! Through Startup Simulation, students experienced how supportive the entrepreneurial community is as each finals team received valuable feedback from the experienced entrepreneurs who truly cared about the development of the participants' entrepreneurial skill set.

Overall, Startup Simulation was an excellent eye-opening experience for many into the world of entrepreneurship. Special thanks to everyone who made this first Startup Simulation a success!





## PHILANTHROPIC

## Starbright Pumpkin Patch



This is probably one of the cutest volunteering events I've ever been to! The Starbright Pre-school had a Halloween event that consists of a costume parade, games, and food! Sadly, we didn't get to eat the food, but playing with the kids was totally worth it. The children were running around

everywhere and they had on legit costumes too! I secretly took pictures of them when they were playing at my game station, which was "Find the pumpkin in the hay stack." After they find it, they decorate it! My favorite station was the "magic" one. This is how it works: A volunteer would be behind a curtain and stick

his or her hand out. The child would place a rock in the volunteer's hand, not knowing there was someone behind the curtain. After the child says the magic words "Abracadabra" and the volunteer would switch the rock into a seashell behind the curtain and present the gift to the kid. Taehoon was working at this station

teaching the kids how to play. And then we they got their prize, he was like "Wow! You got a broken shell!" Haha! Okay, it's way funnier if you were there. :) There were also other volunteers helping out. I liked that there was a good mix of children to play with and students to talk to!

## China Care

After a cut-throat, long drawn-out battle to sign up to volunteer at Playgroup, four ABSA members and I emerged to tackle this difficult mission with China Care: to work with China Care members to overlook and tranquilize these adorable Chinese orphans.

First, we tested the intellectual capabilities of the enemy lines, asking them various questions about Chinese culture including,



"What are some foods that you would put into a dumpling?" For each question the kids got correct, we gave them a sticker, to mark them as a "dangerous opponent" (because obviously, the more you know about the secret art of dumpling making, the greater of a threat you are). Then, we supervised the children as they created colorful shields and weapons with Popsicle sticks and markers. Next, came the battle.



On a terrain disguised as a playground, the ABSA and China Care members clashed with the little kids as they ran around and dodged our tags. The conflict raged on and on and on. Then, all was silent. As the dust settled, both sides seemed worn out and exhausted. As the Alpha, I met up with the leaders of the adversaries and agreed upon a treaty. Finally, we went back inside, made dumplings with the kids, and ate snacks.



Overall, this was a really fun experience volunteering with China Care at Playgroup. There are only two words that can truly embody what happened during this event: Mission Accomplished!



## Treefolk Volunteering sang-yop kwon

What started as a cold, drizzling morning quickly took a turn towards sunny and beautiful as ten brave volunteers went on the adventure of a lifetime to plant trees. While "planting trees" may not roll off of the tongue sounding as exciting as I just made it to be, trust me when I say that the experience was very worthwhile and engaging. And so that brave company of ten set out on that fateful Saturday morning to make a lasting impact on the community.

First there were the

instructions. When one think of planting trees, they would probably assume that they could make quick work of it by just plowing through the ground and just setting the tree in there. In actuality, there was a lot more detail and consideration that went into the process. For instance, after taking the trees out of the plastic containers, the volunteers were instructed to give the roots a nice massage and to dir out the roots. As silly as it sounds to massage the trees, there is actually great importance in doing so. By the end of the

instructional period, we had ourselves a group of master tree planters.

And so the planting began. ABSA's own Jimmy Nguyen was our resident ground breaker. With his trusty pickaxe, he went from group to group and broke up the ground to loosen the soil. Meanwhile, one of ABSA's beloved Media Directors, Steven Yen, took many wonderful pictures (all of which can be seen on the ABSA Flickr page). In the meantime, the rest of us divided our forces and proceeded to plant trees, and I had the pleasure of massaging many trees. There's an odd sense of satisfaction that comes from it...

After a long morning of planting, our volunteers concluded our adventure, said our farewells, and parted ways. Would I go on this adventure again if the opportunity presented itself? Absolutely (shout out to Austin Anderson for helping take people back. You were a real lifesaver!).











## Funnel Cake Fundraiser emily fu

During two of Austin's arguably coldest weeks of the semester, Special **Events Directors and** many helpful ABSA volunteers bundled up to the best of their abilities and huddled together outside Gregory Gym to table for Internal Branch's fundraiser of the semester: Funnel Cake Fundraiser!

This fundraiser, designed to help fund ABSA's end of

semester banquet, featured yummy funnel cakes, deep fried by our volunteers, and hot chocolate to combat the numbingly cold weather. Passersby could choose between regular funnel cakes, which boasted the traditional powdered sugar topping, and deluxe funnel cakes, which included additional chocolate sauce and strawberries.

Unprepared for the cold weather, I

had erratically layered on most of the warm clothes I could find in my closet and hoped for the best as I made my way to Gregory Gym for my shift. We quickly found that the cold did not deter customers from gravitating towards our table-- the funnel cakes were a big hit! Students stopped by in between classes to purchase funnel cakes and hot choc olate, and cooks did wonderful jobs under

the pressure of so many hungry customers. Many members also stopped by to support the fundraiser as well as help with advertising.

All in all, this fundraiser was definitely a successful as well as yummy one, and played a significant part in helping make this EOS the greatest one on earth!



## Keep Austin Beautiful phillip yoon

On a beautiful Saturday morning, a group of ABSA members gathered once again to clean the streets from 30th to 38th Street. We split into two groups, one for each side of the street, both equipped with trash bags and gloves. As usual, the groups eventually made the event into a mini comtition to see who could clean their side of the street faster. While the little competition was occurring, everyone was having a good time bonding with each other as each member picked up a variety of trash. While most trash consisted of cigarettes, paper, and cans, you would occasionally find something



be difficult to wake up on a Saturday morning, it is definitely worth doing to have the opportunity to bond with fellow ABSA members and clean up a little part of the world we live in. If you haven't attended a Keep Austin Beautiful cleanup, I highly recommend doing so in the future.



### Dodge for a Cause caroline lee

This year's annual charity Dodge for a Cause Dodgeball Tournament was one of the most exciting events of the first semester and a huge success thanks to the co-hosting orgs ABSA, ALPFA, and SMILE along with all participating teams. With half of the competing teams proudly representing ABSA such as the Academic Branch, Finance Team, and many families, the tournament was bound to be exciting and intense.

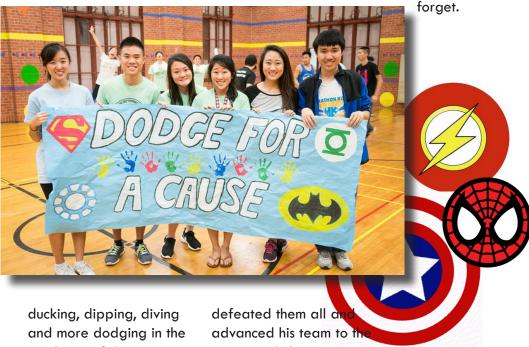
Everyone gathered in Anna Hiss Gym with some very creative superhero costumes, matching colored outfits and more. Special shout outs to WOOHOO! for their adorable matching shirts and to the A+ Team for looking even more fabulous than usual.

Competition from the other teams was fierce and daunting, but ABSA teams were up for the challenge. There was certainly a lot of dodging,

slightly grim in the beginning of the tournament, ABSA was not going down without a fight, especially the Big Booty Bunch family. One striking event was when Mickey Li, as the last man standing against many other guys,

placing 4th place in this year's DFC!

All in all, controversial rules and calls, rowdy yelling from the sidelines, and intense games of flying yellow balls all made this year's Dodge for a Cause an event to never



two hours of the event.

next round. So congrats Though things seemed to Big Booty Bunch for



## Feed Your Mind jeffery hung



Feed Your Mind (FYM) is the biannual food giveaway event hosted by ABSA's Academic branch that brings love and hope to the deprived inhabitants of UT Austin each semester. These students have been surviving off of Bevo Bucks and cup ramen for the past semester and had a dream for bigger. For better.

On the day of the

event, you could see a legion of UT students lined up before the start of the event. UT is generally known for its diversity, but that day, students shared the same outlook of exhaustion. Finals were approaching. Their bodies were weak, and their spirits, weaker. Things looked grim. However there was hope, and it came in the color of seafoam green.

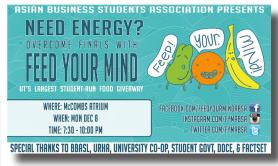
It was the ABSA army! And they were ready to serve Juuuustice!

Now, Justice came in a multitude of forms. There was the good ol' white rice Justice. There was savory beef jerky Justice. There was noodle Justice. Nacho cheese Justice. Gummy bear Justice. The list goes on. At the end of the day, ABSA succeeded in feeding over 800

people in the matter of around two hours.

All in all, ABSA FYM was a great success. The inhabitants were happy (hopefully), we were happy (hopefully), everyone wins! For those of you who missed FYM this semester, there's always 2015 Spring FYM! I highly encourage everyone to go!





## SOCIAL

## Haunted House Social joseph lee

Bringing up House of Torment in any conversation would generally invoke responses like "Ohhhhh mannn it's really scary" or "They chase you around with chainsaws" or "Can you leave me your ramen in your will?". Beyond hyped up, we all started the event with around a gallon of Red Bull each and ridiculous selfie game with the

friendly neighborhood zombie. Now I'm not going to lie, but as we entered the first room I was legitimately scared to go any further. Thanks to the encouraging words of "Hurry up you sissy", however, we managed to escape the first building and its well-experienced-in-scaring-people employees and hanging dead bodies. Yeah that's

right- FIRST building. After incessant complaints and threats of violence, we entered the second building which embraced us with its dark and terror-filled hug. Yeah that's even more right- SECOND building. The third and, thankfully, last section proudly exhibited the sounds of chainsaws and hanging human flesh to an audience whose only thought.

was to get out of there.
Aside from the
near-death experiences,
the social was ridiculously
fun thanks to some great
organization and high
turnout. I probably won't
set foot into any haunted
house ever again, but I
highly recommend experiencing the House of
Torment!

## Family Scavenger Hunt

Unlike years before, this year's Family Scavenger Hunt lasted an entire week instead of being on one day. It gave us plenty of time to bond with each other and explore places on and around campus! Each day at midnight, a mission would be given out to each family to go to a certain location and perform a certain act within 24 hours.3

The five missions were to: 1) form a human pyramid at the UT tower, 2) catch ice cream at Amy's Ice Cream, 3) take a picture with the sunset, 4) take a jumping picture at Pease Park, and 5) create a star at the Capitol. Since it was cloudy the entire week, taking a sunset picture seemed impossible, but each family improvised a bit and created sunsets through Photoshop or hand drawings or a Macbook! Each family really brought out their creativity and resourcefulness throughout the week, so shoutout to all the big sibs for planning everything,

to the family directors for thinking of fun missions, and especially to all the littles who came out on such short notice!

As a big sib I know it was difficult to find a time when enough littles were free and the weather and distance made it difficult for many families to complete their missions, but I hope all the families had as much fun as ours did!







### IM Football Semifinals/Championship (Co-Ed) phillip yoon

Semifinals, one game separating us and a chance at winning back to back championships in football. After scoring a quick touchdown in the beginning of the game, it seemed as if the chance at repeating was all but guaranteed. However, Texas Flips made it to the semifinals for a reason and they immediately elevated their game after we scored. The score eventually reached 7-6, with ABSA barely clinging on to the lead. The defensive oriented game went down to the wire with one last play deciding our football fate. Texas Flips had one play left before the game ended and the only thing separating them and the touchdown

was our defense. The ball snaps, people run their routes, the ball goes up in the air, and in a matter of seconds, ABSA secured a spot in the Co-Ed Football Championship game. get one more practice in before the game began. Despite the unfavorable windy conditions, every ABSA player was incredibly focused and determined to win the



The day after the semifinal game was the championship game. Knowing that AACM had a great quarterback leading the team, we arrived at the IM fields early in order to game. Right from the start, AACM proved to be a worthy opponent; they made a ton of good plays and made playing defense a tough assignment for us. After trading

points for a good part of the game, Jackson stepped up with a pair of interceptions that eventually led to touchdowns, sending the ABSA crowd into a frenzy. By the time the game was over, the score was 25-16, and ABSA had just repeated as champions. All of the hard work each individual dedicated to the team paid off in the end. A big thanks must be given to the ABSA fans who cheered the team on no matter the circumstances; without the fans, playing the opposing team would've been much more difficult. The theme for ABSA this year is exceeding expectations and the football team did just that: exceed expectations.



### Alumni Weekend

sylvia yang

With some classic BBQ, silly icebreakers, and endless fried chicken, the alumni directors carried out a fantastic event. During this weekend, ABSA alumni from

near and far stopped by to reconnect with old friends and make new friendships.

There's something about food that brings

people together. Everyone loves a good old-fashioned BBQ, and there's no better place for that than Rudy's. As a firstyear student, I was pretty intimidated by the idea of meeting alumni because I thought they'd be big and scary. However, my original notions couldn't have been



more false—I was taller than almost half of them (ha ha ha)! And not only that, but they were also incredibly down to earth. It was so easy to strike up a conversation with any

Omin

one of them. By the end of the night, I met a lot of great people and received a good amount of life advice as well. The next day, we played fun icebreakers and enjoyed a deliciously fried family-style dinner.

Alumni Weekend was one of my favorite events, just because it really exemplifies the strength of ABSA networks. This club creates friendships that will last forever, between individuals who are truly

invested in and passionate about ABSA's future.

## Thanksgiving Potluck

Food. FOOD. FOOOD. The Potluck was filled with delicious dishes of food, and I could honestly say I came out satisfied with the amount of food they served. I was so glad to have made some food with my family, it was a nice experience to bond with some members that I hadn't known. Of course, everyone had turkey on their plate; however, the supply of turkey did not match the demand

and soon, the turkey had run out. While everyone awaited the Big Booty Bunch's turkey, we played games and took pictures. The potluck was a great way for people not going back to their respective homes, to enjoy Thanksgiving. It was honestly, really heartwarming to see so many smiles. I would like to thank all the volunteers who served the food and helped prepare the dishes, thank you ABSA! :D



### **ABSA** Assassins

### rebecca fu

As the month of October came to an end and shifted into November, ABSA members steeled themselves for a new round of Assassins.

The game—played each year between all participating members—has a straightforward objective "kill" the target and avoid being "killed". As simple as that may seem, certain rules and restrictions make seeking out and assassinating targets difficult. For example, one major restric tion is that no one can kill or be killed during class or an ABSA event, whether it be a general meeting, social, or family even

Kills are made by throwing a pair of (preferably

clean) socks at the target or sticking a sticky note marked with an 'X' onto the target. After a person assassinates their target, they show proof of their kill by sending an email attached with a picture taken at the aftermath of the assassination. Immunities—such as wearing an ABSA t-shirt—were given out each week and guaraneed a full 24 hours of protection from assassination. Because of the many specifications of the game, players who hope to adance to the next level must prepared and be willing think out-of-the-box. wisking choose to scour the atrium or casually wander through Reliant, keeping an eye out for familiar faces

and hoping to find their targets off-guard. However, others must find alternative ways of seeking out and killing their targets.

Throughout the month of Assassins, nerves are on edge and loyalties are tested. Socks and sticky notes now take up permanent residence in backpacks; students become prone to studying away from the business building. The more ambitious assassins take it one step further, gathering information and even staking out dorm rooms, all the while making sure to look over their shoulders.

Toward the end of Assassins, the number of players who have not been killed trickled down to the single digits. By the time the last general meeting of the semester rolled around, two people remained. To determine the final winner, the two finalists—Karen Shang and Trini Tran—went head-to-head in one final challenge: the Assassins Showdown. Although the competition was very close, Trini ultimately won the title of Assassins finalist as well as a pair of beats.

Regardless of winning or losing, Assassins was a fun and competitive way to interact with other ABSA members aside from the traditional brown bag. The game is a fun tradition that will provide great memories and entertaining stories in the future!

### KDC Workshop

### veronica sun

An event where you could come and learn how to be the next K-pop star, or at least attempt to by our very own talented, ABSA/KDC members: Brian, Christine, Sangbin. An event where some discovered they were destined to become dancers, and some not as fortunate... Nevertheless, it was an event filled with laughter, sweat and exercise. It was KDC Workshop!

First, we started out with "Closer" by Ne-Yo that was choreographed

by Brian and Christine. It was a rocky start and as we danced for the first time to the music, it all seemed too fast and



difficult. Kicks and twirls were flung all around, but soon enough it all magically came together, and we could actually dance to a song! By the fime the second song rolled around, I realized that the first dance was nothing compared to K-pop that

> was in store for us. I was expecting a very easy and catchy K-pop dance to learn, but I guess

our teachers thought very highly of us and Jay Park's "Know Your Name" was played. It was a faster, more technical and charismatic dance that challenged many of us. However, this did not keep us from learning and somewhat mastering it.

This workshop bold stered fun-filled, new and refreshing experiences and introduced Kapop to everyone. It allowed everyone to let loose, have fun, and hannel his or her inner Kapap-ness. Definitely an experience worth remember of and an exercise worth having!

## End of Semester Banquet



t was a cold night, but the warmth of friendships kept us nice and toasty. Firstly, the roast of the officers from the two MC's Andrew Huang and Stephen Zhu were spot on, I could not have laughed or cringed harder. The way they targeted Jason as being the ladies' man was exquisite. Then the awards came along and it sure was a great one. The athletics side of ABSA was dominat-

ed, by the football and volleyball team. We moved on to families giving out awards, it was truly sad to see James receiving the award for WOOHOO!, it would be the last time we would see James for a while for he would go back to Australia. The seniors had some of the best advice, Stephanie, Sherlley, and Sam all said to do what you love, and cherish those that are around you. After the seniors gave

us some life advice, we thought what better than to dance our tails off. Everyone rushed to the dance floor and the ratchetness ensued; to name a few members of the ratchet crew, we had Johnny Vo on the men's side and Sylvia Yang on the ladies' side. Brian, soon joined the crew and proceeded to show us his intricate dancing, wowing everyone that was near him. The EOS banquet, was truly a night to remember and

to forget, for those that went to the Business
Meeting after. I honestly could not have spent my day better than with one of the best organizations I could possibly have ever joined. I love ABSA and its members. Thank you everyone for such an amazing semester.
Let's dominate Spring 2015!



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### Officers

### **Angela Meng:**

#### Officers:

Jackson Pei: Happy Birthday as of late! Ngl I teared up a little bit when you cried real tears after Denny played that video. It was a really emotional night and I'm glad you had such a great time!

Sabeeha Islam: Literally what do I do without you? What can I do without you?

Maria Mai: No (I really do not want)

Anna Chong: Please sleep more and eat more bread!! We need you at 100% cause there's really no one else who can control your branch, haha.

Kelvin Nguyen: We really need to pick better hours of the night to watch Hannibal, haha. Also make better life decisions about eating Wendy's so late at night. The list goes on and on thb.

**Jennifer Yang:** #closetbuddies4lyfe, now please come back to GM.

Jason Guo: Congrats on finishing tough mudder! I heard you were the mvp of the group! :D

### **Professional Branch:**

Austin Anderson: [Voted most likely to make an awkwardly timed joke with some help from autocorrect] Thank you for doing a great job at Houston CFT even with the wayward driving and all the craziness that comes with a CFT!

Elizabeth Kwan: [Voted most likely to get lost, and, or fall asleep on a couch] Branch scaredy-cat is a tie between you and Mickey, and possibly Lucia, but we'll never know for sure since she didn't go to the Haunted House social. Great job on Houston CFT, and yes, I do trust you to drive.

Lucia Hua: [Voted most likely to upset ABSA and Angela, but mostly Angela, with her food choices for GM] JK JK. I don't actually hate Jimmy Johns that much...okay maybe I do. I hope you've been having a good time in ABSA and that you will love us even if we bring you to a steak house for your birthday JK JK.

Mickey Li: [Voted most likely to resemble a former President] JUST KIDDING. You're definitely your own person with your own set of strange and quirky habits! Thank you for always pushing for more and trying to make Professional better and better!

Sarah Huang: [Voted most likely to foot the bill for our end of the year meal due to late points] You tell the funniest stories I swear, also I don't know why I didn't vote you as most likely to be ordering pizza because you very clearly would have won that title as well.

Alex Zhang: Thank you for bringing me food that night David and I were working on OM! I'll do my best to get more sleep this semester so I stop looking so tired, haha.

Alex Zou: You have so much enthusiasm at IM games, it's really great to watch, haha!

Also your reactions from Haunted House were so strong that even hearing about them from a second hand source was pretty entertaning! Great job with the volunteering events as well. Keep it up!

**Alexander Hui:** That walk we had back to campus was really good we should continue that conversation and grab lunch together sometime!

Amanda Shang: Sorry again for scaring you so much during our first encounter at your interview. Let's grab lunch sometime (with or without Regan, haha)!!

**Andrew Huang:** I can't believe you didn't force me to watch SAO earlier, because now I truly have no time to and I have so many regrets.

Andrew Tran: Thank you so much for driving and letting us stay at your place for Houston CFT! Your dogs were so cute, haha. Anthony Qi: Hi Andy! Glad to have you on the Scoring Careers team! I hope you're having a good time picking through themes and getting more involved in ABSA.

Belinda Jiang: Holy crap! You were so fearless inside the Haunted House, haha. If I ever need to assemble an anti-zombie force out of ABSA members, I know who I want on my team:)

**Bowen Cai:** The jason's deli sandwiches you dropped off that day in the atrium actually saved my life. No joke

**Brian Kim:** Belatedly, I realized that I dressed up as an egg chef for Halloween when that clearly should have been your costume.

Bryan An: Listening to you and Austin karaoke together was amazing! Haha, I hope you had a great time at Houston CFT and I hope you come out to more events!

Camilla Yen: I don't see you around that often, but I hope you're doing well! Thank you for helping me set up for GM that one time, even though I was super awkward about crawling through the junkyard of an ABSA closet

Cao Truong: Thank you so much for driving and just being a great supporter of everything during Houston CFT! I'm glad you decided to jam with us during karaoke even though you normally don't and I hope you had a lot of fun!

Chi Hsiu (Jeffrey) Hung: We had a really good brownbag back in the beginning of the school year at Coco's! It made me really think of what I still had to learn and despite that I hope I was able to give you some good advice. I'm really glad to have you on the Scoring Careers team as well! Let's grab lunch again sometime, also I still need to meet your three cats!

Christine Chu: Girl, you are such a baller dancing up there and doing all the guy choreo cause you're too good for girlgroup choreo. I had a lot of fun scaring you, Sangbin and Nina during the Conjuring and I'm really glad we all had a chance to bond over the horror during OU weekend!

Diane Sun: Hi Diane! It's great having you part of Scoring Careers. I loved the theme suggestions you had and of course we would have never ordered pizza without you pushing for it!

Dora Cheng: Dora, you survived tough

mudder!! I'm still laughing over the snapchats you sent me right before the marathon but like I said, you were going to do fine! Edward Liao: I'd like for you to know that we spent quite a bit of time teepee-ing your ceiling fans with streamers before your surprise party kicked off and it actually looked really pretty cool for a bit before Jackson messed it up.

**Emily Fu:** Great job on your socials and assassins with Veronica so far! I hope my haggling tips came in handy!

Eric Allen: Welcome back from Japan! It's been a while hasn't it? I'm counting on you to hold me through my tears when Naruto finally ends.

**Erin Sun:** Thank you for giving me advice on my MIS classes! Let's grab food together sometime soon if you have time!

Fred Yang: Your blocking skill in football is amazing, it's just unfortunate that the ball lands in the oppositions' hands more often than not! Great job on defense today (semi-finals match) and I hope the game today (finals) goes well too!

Ginnie Ko: COACH KO. When you're not super busy leading ABSA to IM glory, let's grab a meal together sometime, okay? :D Hannah Kang: It's scary when I'm asleep on your futon more often than you're asleep on your futon (not bed, but futon).

Hanpei Zhang: Thank you for always helping us grab food and set up before GM! I'm sad that you can't stay for longer each time, but class is class I supposed...

Helena Shi: You have the cutest hair. I feel like I tell you that everytime I see you, but that's only because it's true!!

Hoai Truong: #HeroHoai, I really miss being co-directors with you and having stats with you as well. I know you're super busy and I'm not exactly idle all the time either, but let's try our best to grab lunch sometime soon so we can catch up!

Huyen Tran: Your intro video for the One With was super super cute! I hope you're having a great time as a big sib. I can tell your little sibs really appreciate you and your co's a lot!

Ima Linzag: The poster you drew and gave to me fell on my face one morning, which was pretty funny cause it woke me up right when I needed to be up and my alarm ran out of batteries as well. Thank you for that <3

Jane Oh: Let's sing another duet sometime soon! You have such a pretty voice!
Jany Xu: I really really thought I was going to win the trash-take-out battle.

**Jeannette Tang:** JEANNETTE YOU ARE SUCH A BEAST ON THE FIELD. Seriously, great game today!

Jessica McCarthy: I'm so sad that the new pokemon game is coming out and I won't be able to play it until summer...or maybe winter break. I'm not sure how it'll work out but I WANNA PLAY IT SO BADLY UGH Jessika Wu: Sorry for my sorry attempt to lead you in a waltz that day in class. I'm a really terrible lead and should never be allowed to lead u u

Jimmy Nguyen: Sorry for pushing our brownbag until a new time, but I'm super busy the whole month of November. Raincheck?

John Chen: I'm super excited for where's Waltzo at the capitol soon! Teach me your godly waltz ways u\_\_\_\_u

John Song: THE POWER OF CHRIST COMPELS YOU. Hahaha! OU weekend was a lot of fun with you and the seoulbrothers. Let's grab lunch/mag caf? Sometime soon!

Johnny Vo: Thanks for making the Haunted House experience 1000x more fun than it had any right to be. It seriously cracked me up whenever you gave compliments to the workers there. Also, in case anyone hasn't told you yet, you are amazingly clutch at football.

**Jonathan Fan:** Thanks for being patient and teaching me the basics of how to play a guitar that night with Sam. I'm still not too much better but hey, you have to start somewhere right?

Joseph Kim: Thank you so much for lending us your car for Houston CFT. Literally don't know how we would have made it anywhere without your help.

**Josephine Lin:** TRAITOR. JK JK (but we still told Jennifer anyways :P).

Julia Hoang: Thanks for putting on such a great family GM and being super cute and energetic all the time! You and Brian have done such a great job with families and I can't wait to see what you guys have in store for us all next!

Kristeen Chan: Girl, you're always bruised up and hurt whenever I see you outside of IM fields but you're such a beast when they put you on! Please take good care of yourself and be sure not to get more injured; A; Liam Kelly: I will learn your 3/7 ABSA chant by the time this year ends. That's a promise.

Michael Bolls: It was great getting to talk to you and know you better at Houston CFT! Karaoke night was so much fun!

Nhu Vu: I wish I saw you at more ABSA events, but I get that you're super busy now with work and all that. Let's grab lunch sometime okay?

Nina Tanuwidjaja: Meow. We are failed cupcake maestros. We'll just add it to the ever growing list of things Nina+Angela still haven't done.

Paul Nguyen: I'm still giggling over the fact that it was so easy to convert you over from Chipotle to Burrito Factory. Let's grab lunch sometimes (probably at Burrito Fac)

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when you're free!

Phillip Yoon: You da real mvp.

Russell Kan: A+ Salmon chef, please teach me your ways! I'm seriously so impressed by that being your first time cooking ever. Compliments to the chef indeed.

Sally Zhang: You have such a pretty voice and I was really impressed by your and Jane's rendition of Bad Girl, Good Girl! Let's go karaoking some other time!

Samantha Choi: I keep forgetting how to teach you to cut good food deals, but I'm sure you can handle that on your own!

Please reach out to me if you have any other questions.

Samuel Frost: It's crazy to think that you just joined ABSA this semester, but you're already everywhere and super active in all of our events! I'm really sad that you'll be graduating this semester, but I hope it'll be a good one for you!

Sam Lehardi: Sammmmm, I have no clue if you'll actually ever read this, but just know that you're still so important to every little sib's whose lives you touched last year. We all miss you a lot and hope you come visit more often <3

Sang-Yop Kwon: That 9AM alarm/evacuation probably saved our butts in retrospect. There's no way we would have gotten up from those couches otherwise.

Sangbin Kwon: Milto's was a really far walk, but so so worth it. It's strange to think in retrospect I didn't start tripping around until after eating so maybe my imbalance was food coma induced, haha. Also, thank you so much for the tea before I left for Houston CFT. Best Big Sib!! (don't tell Nina)

Sonia Hedge: I'm really sorry for making you sit on the floor that day at GAM! I don't know what I was thinking, but I hope you forgive me u u

forgive me u\_\_\_\_u

Stephanie Ham: Hi Hamster! I see you
everywhere around UT campus but we haven't had a good chance to sit down and talk!
Let's grab lunch sometime if you're free!
Stephanie Kao: SKITTLES. I feel like I've
seen you around a lot without actually being
around you a lot, I'm not sure if that made
sense. Anyways, let's grab lunch together
sometime when you're free!

Stephen Zhu: Thank you so so much for gathering your family to come out to Madrigal! I hope you guys have a really good time and please save me some bread pudding;———;

Steven Yen: No matter what ABSA event I'm at or where I am, I can always count on you being at the scene taking photos like a pro! I'm really glad we reeled you in to talk to our table during Gone to Business and I hope you're having a great time in ABSA! Sylvia Yang: Great job with the photos! I really wish I had taken my branch to get some snappy casual ones done by you, the Academic ones look amazing!

Taehoon Kim: If there's another person screaming his head off at the ABSA IM Games, 9 out of 10 it's you (or Liam or Zack), but most of the times I feel like it's you. You da real cheer myp.

Tiffany Nguyen: It kills me how you're the only girl in Finance Team, but you very clearly wear the pants in F-team hahaha. JK JK. don't tell the boys I said that.

Venus Fei: I hope you had a great time at Houston CFT and learned a lot about companies. I'm really glad you came out to karaoke as well and sang a bunch of songs! You have a beautiful voice!!

Veronica Sun: Great job with the socials and assassin's so far! I'm also really proud that you toughed through the beginning of the Haunted House even though you really

didn't want to go in originally.

Vincent Nguyen: You and Daniel are doing a great job with C-TEAM! I'm really happy to see you at a lot of ABSA events and even GAM!

Whitney Chan: #WHERE'S WHITNEY 2K14. I miss having you around in lonely North Campus, but at the same time I wish I saw more of you on campus as well!

Zack Kingsak: AYYYYYYYYYYYY!
Hi Zack! It's been so much fun having you and Liam on the sidelines screaming and cheering for our IM games.

Zulian Tjuatja: I hope you're doing well in that welch bunker/secret lab of yours, haha. Let's grab a meal sometime when you're not super busy!

**Informer Editors:** Thank you so much for putting this all together! You both are awesome!

### Sabeeha Islam:

Officers:

Officers: WOOP WOOP!!! One semester over and done with...and one more semester of frequent laughter, late nights, intense work days, and camaraderie with the best crew I could ask for. Thanks for everything envs!

Jackson Pei: Jason and I were talking the other day...and I realized, can you take me to New Zealand some day and show me around??? =D

**Angela Meng:** Hehehe thanks so much for the anchor shirt. Literally so in love with it. Can we coordinate for a GM?

Maria Mai: So...I haven't seen your hair in person yet, but I swear, is there ANY time you DON'T look good?!?!?!

Anna Chong: I think our last fb conversation summed it up pretty well....my life would be lonely and boring without you Kelvin Nguyen: Thanks for walking me home that one evening haha brought me back to memories from last year. Also, I'm so sorry I gave you more work over winter break. You deserved more work the LEAST amongst all of us....FORGIVE ME!

Jennifer Yang: Baking with you was super fun! Lets do it again soon! Also, thanks for being a great study buddy and friend whenever I need someone to talk to =)

**Jason Guo:** You are more compassionate, kind, and selfless than you give yourself credit for. =) I love all our long conversations, and I can't wait for even more to come this semester!

### **Executive Branch:**

Directors: I've kinda already said this during my New Years message, but it's been a fun semester and I'm excited to see how you guys continue to step up, hustle, learn, grow, and lead this semester. I have all of your goals in mind (do you?), and we have some ways to go. But we will move forward in classic #YungBeehaAndDaCrew style... GET EXCITED!

Amanda Shang: As the song goes, "Last Christmas, I gave you [a jacket]. But the very next day, you [needed some pants]." Eric Ma: Stop dying your hair. It looks SO much better when it's just naturally black. Lisa Feng: I shall be waiting for that piano performance. Brownie points if you dress up like a minion and sing when you do it! Samantha Choi: Soooo, if I'm ever in Plano, can I stop by and pick up some Oreos??

Alex Hui: After our Exectual hangout, I realize that you say some REALLY strange things. Hmm but it's okay, you're still a cool guy =D

Alex Liu: Great job on Feed Your Mind! =)

hope you enjoyed your experience!

Alex Zhang: Have fun abroad; we shall

Alex Zou: Mr. Alpha...you've already done so well for yourself last semester, I have no idea how you plan to outdo yourself. But, given who you are, I know you will!

**Alisha Paul:** Thank God advertising is over. That class SUCKED.

Amelia Kwok: Hope winter break was a fun and relaxing time for you!

Amy Xin: So, I always knew you were a pro artist...and then I saw you working on that back drop. I swear girl, youre too pro!! =D Andrew Huang: DON'T LEAVE US! COME BACK!!

**Andrew Tran:** So since you are staying for an extra semester, does that mean an extra season of IM football?

Annie Truong: Hey, we should catch up soon! Hope the holidays and New Years were fun!

**Anthony Qi:** Congratulations on being in Scoring Careers Committee! I hope you are enjoying your experience!

Arlene Cai: Belated congrats on Sigmas!!=)
Arti Machchhar: You are still the best
roommate 5evaaa!!! Excited to see how
Raas Rodeo turns out this year!!! =D
Ashley Advani: I hope your break was
relaxing and fun! I'm excited to see you
around at different events =)

**Audra Fields:** I hope you have been enjoying your time on PubCo! You are seriously soooo artistic! =D

**Austin Anderson:** Thank you for bringing nothing but the best sense of humor wherever you go =)

**Belinda Jiang:** Don't know if I ever mentioned this but you looked sooo pretty at EOS!

**Bowen Cai:** Your OG's chant never fails to put a smile on my face!

**Brian Kim:** When you dropped the microphone at EOS, I almost fell out of my chair hahaha

**Brian Liew:** It's been great seeing you be so active this year! I'd love for a chance to grab a brown bag sometime!

Bryan An: Seeing you come back to help with FYM made my day so much! =D Cameron Bishop: How's UBC going? Thanks for always making time to stop by ABSA! =)

Camilla Yen: The few times when I run into you randomly in the street bring me such joy! =D

Cao Truong: You are seriously one of the most selfless guys I know. Thank you for being so incredibly kind and giving!
Cari Pak: Hope I'll get a chance to grab a brown bag with you this semester before you graduate!

Caroline Lee: If I haven't said this enough, GREAT job with Dodge for a Cause! I look forward to seeing our upcoming external events! Oh and btw, you are REALLY photogenic. Pictures of you from EOS keep popping up on my newsfeed, so just thought you should know

Chris Liu: How did that online interview end up going?? I hope I was helpful that night!

Chris Wong: Big Sib!!! Take me to Canada and teach me how to snowboard!!

**Christina Lien:** For the record, I don't think you are awkward or a starfish;)

Christina Xie: It was so great seeing you at EOS! Hope you had fun!

Christine Chu: AHHHH where have you been?!?!? I miss you!

Clarissa Gondoprawiro: I'm happy to see you have made it out of that 333K project! Dan Lubis: Your answer to my question during Family Hot Seat was super cute!! =D **Daniel Chen:** Hey fellow Little Sib, how's F-Team going?

Daniel Li: Lets make Round 2 of C-Team even better than the first one! =D Darrell Sung: I hope Marketing Team has

been going well! **Debbie Chang:** Your hair is super intense,

Desi Pham: It's so great to see you coming out this year! We should recreate our breakfast brownbag from last year!

**Diane Sun:** You are so ambitious! I love getting questions from you about applications or student orgs or classes or anything

**Dora Cheng:** Waah I'm sorry I can't hang out with you more on breaks! =( I seriously need a car

**Edward Liao:** Dude, Bouldin Creek was SOOO GOOOD!!! Can't wait for veggie hang out part 2!

Elizabeth Kwan: I had so much fun helping with the video with Scoring Careers. Sorry for being so awkward, but I'm sure the video will be great!

Elvis Yang: How has Big Sib life been treating you? We should grab a brown bag and catch-up!

**Emily Fu:** Thanks for stepping up and taking the lead on the Dallas Winter Break social =)

**Eric Allen:** Thanks for cooking the ham at Thanksgiving!

Eric Wang: I miss you, Eric! I hope you can come out to some ABSA events some time soon! I know you have a really busy schedule!

Erin Sun: YAY! Done with Finance! Esther Kim: The first Informer was beautiful! Can't wait to see what you're gonna pull together for the next one!

Ethan Ho: Haha I love randomly running into you at Greg and in street intersections. =D

Felicia Zhang: Seriously, THANK YOU so much for picking me up from Irving over winter break. "U-O-E-N-O" how amazing you are. #BeautyJuiceSoon?

Florence Sung: Hey Flo! Hehe I got my shoutouts in on time, this time around! =D Fred Yang: Hi Fred! Or should I say Fread? Can I ask why the name changed or is it a secret??

**Ginnie Ko:** WOO Coach Ko! Can't wait to see you lead our basketball team to a championship!!

**Grace Liu:** I love your sass! Haha please make sure it never goes away =D

Greg Hsiao: Ahh Greg such a friendly guy! Thanks for always saying hi to me even when we meet in random places!

**Hanna Jones:** What fun things will you be working on for KUSA this semester? =D

**Hannah Kang:** I really appreciated you being for me that night. LOL I hate myself for the emotional break down, but if anyone had to see it, I'm glad it was you.

**Hanpei Zhang:** Thanks again for letting us use your car that night my branch came over!

Hans Uy: Saw your tea blog post. Make a pitcher for the next C-team meeting?

Helena Shi: Can't wait to see what the PR Team is bringing this upcoming semester!

Hoai Truong: Thanks for being one of the greatest friends I could have ever asked for. Plus, who else could I create a long hashtag for, if not you? I mean #HawtHeroHealthy-Hoai!! I think it's pretty genius...;) I hope you end up reading and finishing Outliers!

Huyen Tran: I'm so happy to hear you got that job for the upcoming semester! I know you will blow it out of the water! =D Once you get more accustomed to it, I'd love to sit down with you and hear more about your

### Shout Outs

experiences there!

Ima Linzag: Teach me how to art, please LOL

**Jack Chang:** How are you enjoying Finance Team?

James Zhang: Waah so sad that you are gone! =(

Jane Oh: You are so good at karaoke!!!

Jane Zeng: Great job with EOS! I had lots of fun!

Jany Xu: Okay, we need to tackle that Bucket List seriously this semester. What's our first stop?

Jason Wu: Where have you been buddy? I feel like I haven't seen you in too long =(
Jeanette Tang: Hiiii Jeannette!! Are you excited about your CS classes?? You will have to tell me all about it after a couple of weeks into the semester. I know you're gonna do great!! =D

Jeffrey Hung: I love seeing how active you are on the Scoring Careers Committee! Hope break went well!

**Jeffrey Toobi:** How's DECA going man?? **Jenney Ling:** Big Sib!!! We need to grab a legit brownbag soon!!

Jessica McCarthy: LOLOLOL I loved your BHP rant that one day on the 5th floor. To be fair, I agree with like 85% of what you had to say

**Jessie Chan:** I see you around so much, but I've never had a chance to sit down with you and chat. Lets grab a meal soon??

**Jimmy Nguyen:** Thanks for hosting those Movie Nights. I had tons of fun at the Frozen one! =D

**John Song:** Soooo apparently you live in Irving too? Please be my friend and keep me company LOL idk anyone in Irving

**Johnny Vo:** Props man, great job with Feed Your Mind!! Can't wait to see how you kill it at round 2!

**Jonathan Cheung:** Dude, we STILL haven't had our brown bag yet...What the heck? Too busy for me...

Jonathan Fan: Ahh and with spring semester comes a fresh new batch of MPA recruiting...LOLOL best of luck buddy!

**Jonathan Ong:** Great job being a leader on C-team! Super proud of you! Thanks for making Exec proud!

**Joseph Kim:** You're doing a great job as a Big Sib!!

Joseph Lee: Haha I really enjoyed our conversation about bowties and suspenders
Josephine Lin: WOOP!! LAUNCH is fast approaching...can't wait to see how it goes! I know you're gonna kill it! Thanks for repping Exec! =D Also, how is small group going?

Josh Hu: LOLOL at the roommate attractive voting thing! Hey, at least I know you're enjoying your final year! =D

Julia Hoang: WAAHH your New York pictures are so lovely! Can't wait to see you back on campus and hear all about how it went!

**Kang Park:** I hope the holidays and new years went well!

**Karen Shang:** HAHAHA your Dodge for a Cause...uh...experience will forever be imprinted in my mind

**Kenny Young:** AGH, I missed the last orchestra performance! =( Please tell me there is another one!

**Kentaro Inao:** Teach me how to dance man!

**Kevin Duong:** Best of luck with the Goldman app! And with all other aspects of recruiting and picking a major. I promise, it seems stressful, but just trust that you will make the right decision =)

Kevin Gwen: Hey Kevin! How is LAUNCH Committee going?? Kristeen Chan: GG allergies and formatting things on a resume =( Hope the rest of your break goes well! =D

**Krystina Diao:** Great job with the scrapbook!!

Laura Liu: Hi!! I haven't been over in a long time! We need to catch up soon!

Laura Yang: Hey, we are in the same family now!! =D

Liam Kelly: I'm sad we couldn't celebrate your birthday in Austin because I know it would have been epic

Linh Dao: I love seeing you come out to so many different type of events! =D we should catch up soon and grab a brownbag some time =)

Lisa Bui: Can't wait to see how Project UT goes this semester! I'm sure it'll be great!
Lisa Liu: Thank God that Theories of
Persuasion class is over!

**Lucia Hua:** We need to do a vegetarian hangout again! That was soooo fun! Also, make me desserts please??

Luther Fan: WAAHH WE WILL MISS YOU!!! D= Keep in touch, Luther!!!

Macy Huang: That Sleep Deprivation Workshop...is it in the works yet?? LOL also, are you caught up in Suits yet??? =D Meggan Lanpher: How is tennis going?? Michael Bolls: Waah the family won't be the same without you!! Have fun abroad though!!

**Michell Li:** I hope you've been enjoying ABSA this year! We should grab a meal some time! =)

**Michelle Zhou:** Thanks for coming out when you can =)

Mickey Li: Thanks so much for offering your house on Christmas Eve for the Big Booty hangout...not to mention thank you for serenading us with your piano! Haha overall, I had fun that night =D

**Nadia Khan:** Did you go back to Pakistan for break?? If so, how was it??

**Nick Bhattacharya:** Any good (or bad or interesting) dreams recently??

Nick Liu: Haha I had fun volunteering with you at Feed Your Mind! =D I hope you did too!

Nina Tanuwidjaja: You are killing it as a Big Sib! =D

Paul Nguyen: I'm glad we got our last Veggie Haven hangout before it closed. So sad = (

**Phillip Yoon:** You da real MVP;) and once you win the basketball championship, we will officially decide that this title belongs to you

**Puja Machchhar:** Can't believe you are leaving us at the end of the semester!! DON'T GO!

**Purav Doshi:** How's F-team been?? **Quan Nguyen:** Big Sib!!!! Can we have a poker family event??? =D

Rachel Lee: Can't wait to reunite with you after your China trip and hear all about it!
Rebecca Fu: Ay girl, easy on that caffeine....IM WATCHING YOU.

Regan Wang: Big Sib!!! Thanks for driving me to Amanda's performance =D And in general, thank you for taking care of our little turtle who doesn't wear pants.

**Rick Honrales:** I hope you've been enjoying C-Team!

**Robert Ma:** How was the Asia trip?! **Rui Mateo:** Congrats on joining your fraternity!

Russell Kan: I'm excited to see all your guys' hard work on the Stock Pitch! I know it will go great!!

**Sang-Yop Kwon:** Your Russian-whiskey-holding impersonation of me kills me every time! =D

**Sangbin Kwon:** WAAH Im so sad I missed the workshop!! Will you still teach me to dance? Btw, you did a good thing not taking

that adv final. Such a waste gg

applying to C-team?

**Sarah Huang:** Your cake for Jeff's bday was a huge hit haha even if it did come from a box!

Sarah Qin: SaRRRRRRatchet! Thanks for keeping me alive through all the BHProblems LOL

Sean Lin: That one story you told us at the Ohana Christmas party was just....GG Shufen Wang: Are you still considering

Sneha Desai: You rock Marketing Team! Also the dress in your picture is super cute! Sonia Hedge: Dude we need to catch up and grab dinner! Then I'll see just how intense your fod skills are!

Stephanie Kao: WAAH also studying abroad! WHY ARE YOU GUYS LEAVING ME?! D=

**Stephanie Su:** I hope your break was relaxing and fun! Good luck with the upcoming semester!

**Stephen Zhu:** Theory of Everything... LEEEESSSSGOOOOO

Stephen Yen: Not gonna lie, I've showed your violin cover of "Love is an Open Door" to a lot of random people that you probably will never meet....I hope that's okay!

Sumin Cha: How's that webmaster life

going??

Sylvia Yang: Not only are you a great photographer...you are SUPER photogenic! Please leave some beauty for the rest of us, kthybai

**Tachoon Kim:** I feel like your hair went through a lot of transformations this past semester! Regardless, you're always such a fly person

Taylor Webb: You have so much enthusiasm and energy! It's awesome =D
Tessie La: Oooh tell me about Australia!

**Tiffany Nguyen:** Can't wait for any future Team socials! =D

**Tiffany Weng:** Great job with pushing for that GP event! Can't wait to see how it turns out! I know it will be better then last year's!

**Tri Nguyen:** I know football season is over, but I hope we will still see you being active! =D

**Trini Tran:** You should be proud of EOS! It was a lot of fun =)

Vamsee Ravella: New school semester... you know what that means....pdf textbooks!!

**Venus Fei:** Hey Venus! I hope your break was fun and relaxing!

**Veronica Sun:** Great job at that ice skating social!! =D I'm excited to see what else you will bring this upcoming semester =)

Vivian Wang: I was sad I missed the first day of the alumni social, but I had so much fun on the second day! Can't wait for this year's!

Whitney Chan: I may consider dip-dyeing my hair...should I?

**Yiwen Xu:** Soo any last minute bucket list items before leaving?

**Yoon Lee:** Dude, you have an AMAZING singing voice. We must go do karaoke together someday!

Zack Kingsak: Thanks again for driving me back to Dallas for Thanksgiving...and dealing with the confusing ish that is Dallas. YOU WILL BE MISSED!!! But I hope you have fun abroad!!

Zulian Tjuatja: Thank you for always being so supportive of me. Honestly, I couldn't have asked for another ex-VP to have my back like you do. =) Sorry, I haven't been a better friend, but hopefully, I can be there more for you this semester =D

### <u>Jason Guo:</u>

Officers

Jackson Pei: Thanks for taking me around in NY!

Sabeeha Islam: Best teacher ever! Angela Meng: No more grumpy cats. Maria Mai: I hate you.

**Anna Chong**: Uh, you're welcome, scary and mean girl.

**Kelvin Nguyen**: Sir Nguyen, pleasure serving with you.

**Jennifer Yang**: Thank you so much for helping me with shopping...and for being short, I suppose.

Alex Hui: Glad to see you stepping up in all these new ways. Excited to see what you'll be doing this semester. I'm going to keep challenging you!

Alex Zou: AlphaAlex is mean...

**Amanda Shang**: I got hot pot equipment. Please bring a stomach this time though.

**Andrew Huang**: Honorary shoutout despite you being gone...Ily

Andrew Tran: I see you training Austin. You're training him well.

Austin Anderson: Refer to above! You should train me next, but I won't have your genes...

Bowen Cai: OOOOOOOOGGGGGGGGS Brian Kim: Thanks for taking me rock climbing, monkey! ;) What do you have in store for this semester?

Camilla Yen: plscomeback
Caroline Lee: Hi Ms. Basic! Excited to see
what creative ideas you'll be coming up
with this semester!

Chris Liu: Good to see you around all the

Christina Lien: Hey awkward starfish, don't gimme that face...Great job with EOS!:)

Christine Chu: Ex-co, why you still weird? Daniel Chen: Glad to see that you're learning and loving finance!

Edward Liao: Whattttt uppppp? We need to do that Whole Foods run again.

Elvis Yang: How's that diet going?
Emily Fu: Fufufu, how about your New
Year's resolution be less coffee?? Regard-

less, excited to see what you'll be doing this semester!

Enoch Tsai: So I don't have a bike any-

Eric Ma: Alright, I have my bet riding on you so don't fail me. Beat Alex!

more.

Esther Kim: Thanks for working on the Informers over winter break!:)

Ethan Chen: Glad you like the market updates from Finance Team! Keep on coming out and hearing about the news.

Ethan Ho: Great job with Alumni Weekend. Looking forward to what you have planned for this semester. I have high expectations for you!

**Felicia Zhang**: Big sis, you owe me food deliveries still!

**Florence Sung**: Thanks so much for working on the informers over winter break!

Fred Yang: Again, thank you for the support that you show me and show others! Ginnie Ko: Take care of yourself please... I

really want to play with you.

Gordon Tsai: Excited to see what you have

in store for Mr. McCombs! **Hannah Kang**: Big sis, I think you're

scary...

Hanpei Zhang: Bby ily

Helena Shi: Pew pew pew. Pew pew pew. Pew pew pew. Click click.

Hoai Truong: And now it's HOAISTORY! Huyen Tran: You're calling me out on my small eyes again...

**Ima Linzag**: For P-Committee, especially you, thank you so much for doing the flag

design for ABSA. Also, thank you for working on flyer designs even over the winter break. You all are amazing, hard working, and generous individuals! And you are the great leader of all of them!

Jane Zeng: Be responsible and stay in if you're sick! Watching you...Great job with EOS!:)

Jany Xu: Eat. All. Of. The. Soup. Jason Wu: Smile! :)

Jeff Liu: What up! Great meeting you, and I'm hoping you can stay to help me develop my vision!

Jessica McCarthy: We stopped running together...Also, thanks for working so hard for the publicity! :)

Jessie Chan: Hi duckling, I like your driving skills.

**Jian (Alex) Liu**: My shooting skills got a lot worse over the break, so please lower expectations.

Jimmy Nguyen: HAHAHAHAHA your laugh tho. Looking forward to LAUNCH!
John Song: Chef Song, pleasure working with you, inside and outside the kitchen.
Johnny Vo: Great job with FYM!!

**Josephine Lin**: Hmm...I'm looking forward to LAUNCH! Watching you!

Julia Hoang: Hehe, thanks for being a great sport in NY. You're awesome! And thank you so much for working so hard on publicity!

Kristy Liang: dat bowl cut doe Kevin Duong: Hey man!! Excited to see what ideas you have in store for this semester!

Kristeen Chan: Thank you for the stockings!! Also, your personality is awesome! :)
Krystina Diao: Glad we finally got lunch! :) Excited to see what you'll be doing this semester. Talk to me more!!

Laura Yang: Waiting to see you do some triathlons!

**Lisa Feng**: Duckling, I hope to see more improvement in your driving skills down the line...

**Lucia Hua**: Alright, time to seriously start eating well and exercising often.

Macy Huang: Duckling, you better start working with me more...Also, I have high expectations for the academic directors this semester!

#### Michael Bolls:

Mickey Li: Thank you so much for being a great host and friend. Glad that we had those deep talks! Now, I look forward to see what you have in store for this semester!

Nina Tanuwidjaja: Canooooooodling. Write me something!

Phillip Yoon: You're beautiful too! I swear! And you should pick me up for some more sports! :)

**Quan Nguyen**: Glad to see all that you do for ABSA! :)

Rebecca Fu: I am going to challenge you to not drink coffee...just kidding! I look forward to seeing what you'll be doing this semester! Gonna be challenging you!

Russell Kan: So grateful to see how hard you work for others. I see great humility and service in you, and I hope that you can start sharing your leadership to others even more! Samantha Choi: Incredibly grateful for your willingness, openness, and hard work. You're, like, pretty cool!:)

Sang-Yop Kwon: Stop being a tennis champion on the bowling alley... We need to have more intelligent conversations again... we just need to unleash the nerdiness.

Sangbin Kwon: SANGBINNNNNN. Pls love me.

Sarah Huang: Hi pizza lady! :) You're funny.

Sean Lin: You're pretty cool! :) Keep coming out! I found my wraps, so back to

boxing

**Stephanie Kao**: Glad to see marketing team is doing great under Sneha and your leadership!:)

**Stephen Lin**: Looking forward to what you'll be teaching this semester. I hope things work out for you!

**Stephen Zhu**: POPS :D :D :D Don't hurt vourself.

Steven Yen: You make absolutely amazing videos. One of the most talented people I know. Let me know if you ever need any help

**Sumin Cha**: Glad we spent more time to catch up! :) You're awesome!!

**Sylvia Yang:** Chessmaster, we need to play again. But you'll have to give me a pretty big handicap.

**Tiffany Nguyen**: Bungee jumping?? What a daredevil...

Tiffany Weng: Looking forward to seeing what you have in store for this semester!:) Trini Tran: Great job with EOS!! Pls stop being a bully doe:

Veronica Sun: :) Smile! You should pester me more for socials rather than Maria. I'd like to talk to you more!

Vivian Wang: Great job with alumni weekend, you troll! Excited to see what other tricks and ideas you have for everyone!! William Truong: Super glad that you've been coming out more. Making the most of college!!

Xueyue (Diane) Sun: BE. CAREFUL. Glad you had so much fun with ABSA at your first Main Event visit!

Yoon Lee: Dat bowling arm doe.

### Maria Mai:

#### Officers:

Angela Meng: Oh, but actually, you do want me! Come here... \*hug\* Deep down, I know you actually like Maria hugs. ^.^

Anna Chong: You're always so fun to be around, Anna! I'm glad you at least talk to ugly people like me.:P

Jackson Pei: I laugh because you're so funny! I love your laughs... and accent! I started saying "can't" like "caun't" now! Tehebhe

**Jennifor Yang**: No more class together!

**Jason Guo**: \*Stares and hugs\* Hi frienddddddddd! <3

Kelvin Nguyen: What's so funny? o.o Sabeeha Islam: Know why I'm glad to be back? I miss your super amazing hugs!

Internal Directors: Hope my care packaged and long-ass card helped y'all through finals! I can't believe this is my last semester with you guys. I don't know think I say this enough, but I'm really glad that y'all joined Internal with me. Brian, Christina, Emily, Ginnie, Jane, Julia, Phillip, Trini, & Veronica, I seriously cannot wait to make more memories with you guys!

Alex Zou: What happened to our snapchat

Amy Xin: Know what sucks? I don't get to be around you enough. I want to be able to laugh all the time like when we were painting the backdrop! Lol. Such a good time! And omg. You + Krystina. LOL!

Andrew Huang: Thank you so much for making ABSA laugh with your silliness! The MC slideshow was awesome!

Audra Fields: You are such a good dancer! O.O I like the little you showed me when we were painting on the backdrop and goofing

Chan Lee: I'm so glad you decided to join ABSA! You're a super chill dude. Hope we

get to know each other more!

**Elvis Yang**: Bro. Sometimes yo snapchats are weird! But I like that you still send them to me!

Esther Kim: Thank you for doing the informers! I know it's a lot of dang timeee so I really appreciate it!!!!!

Flo Sung: Thank you for letting me send shoutouts late! I'm SO SORRY AS AL-WAYS! :(

Ima Linzag: I just want to let you know that you're a badass. Publicity Committee. Backdrop. ABSA Flag. The amazingness doesn't end! O.o

Jany Xu: I always enjoy your presence Jany. (: Even if it is for a few minutes every time. :)

Jenney Ling: \*bigger hug\*

Jennifer Park: I'm so glad you joined ABSA. Thank you so much for helping out so much even though you don't have to (like painting the backdrop for EOS)! I really appreciate it!

Jessica McCarthy: I'm so glad I got to hang out with you more last semester because you are so adorable and funny! You are seriously one of the best returning officers ever! Thank you for always being so helpfu!! I had such a good time chatting with you when we got Fro-you, made hot coco, and painted the EOS backdrop!

Kristina Diao: Girl. I believe in your extroverted self! It's there inside and it can come out through other ways than that one way that's bad for you!

Liam Kelly: Anh de thuong qua!;)
Nick Bhattacharya: Bro. You're my
winter break homie. Thank you so much for
keeping me company and being there for me
when I needed it. I really enjoy our random
ass conversations. :P

Nina Tina Tanuwidjaja: You definitely keep me stable and sane. Thank you for always keeping me on track. <3 I love youuuuuu!

Sang-Yop Kwon: You're not quite there yet, but some day, you will master the Maria Art of saying hi to everyone in a high-pitched-yet-muffled-and-obnoxious tone

Stephen Zhu: Phteven: P Teheh. Thank you so much for MCing! A lot of people really enjoyed the slideshow! AND thank you for being such an awesome Big Sib! And I'm definitely not the only one that thinks that too!

**Tessie La**: Tessie. What would I do without you?

### Anna Chong:

### Officers:

Jackson Pei: Thanks for not smelling my armpits anymore and for teaching me how to play pool!!!! Always put the black eight ball in first YEAH!

Sabeeha Islam: I owe you a meal. Also, can't wait to capture more of your thuggy moments on camera this semester! Please don't kill me.

Angela Meng: DO YOU NOT LOVE ME. WHY DID WE NEVER FINISH OUR BROWN BAG. Now that Madrigal can't kill you it is time for the Anna.

Maria Mai: Your hair is toooo cayooteee!! Also, thanks for playing Pump with me! Let it be known that I beat the great dancer, Maria Mai.

**Kelvin Nguyen**: I know I suck at arcade games, but thanks for that adventure! Cyndaquil says hi.

**Jennifer Yang**: Sorry that the ring is a bit too big.... Muchtears T\_T I will fatten you up over this next semester though so no worries!

**Jason Guo**: Thanks for protecting me from the clutches of evil. However, if what Jack-

son says about you know who is true......

Jason = dead.

Alex Zou: Beta, I do not appreciate your attempts to overthrow my rule. I will tolerate your behavior though because you're a cutie. But one day....

Caroline Lee: Can you stop slacking off at work? No texting from the bathroom. Also, I missed your sassy Korean words.. You add spice to my life.

Helena Shi: I see you in those model pictures GURL. But I think I like your ratchet selfies more heh My babies are all so pretty..

Kevin Duong: Thanks for bailing on me and YopYop! -\_\_ - Sorry I couldn't be there for you more this break.. But YOU KNOW I LOVE YOU RIGHT?!

Sang-Yop Kwon: Hope you had a lot of fun visiting Houston! Please tell me you did more than just those board/card games. Visit again in the summer!

**Tiffany Weng**: Everyone loves your cookie recipe! I always give the props back to you though. 
© Thanks for making my life easy with your neatness!!

**Alexander Hui**: Did you return those batteries to Jason yet? You made me the villain! I AM THE GOOD GUY.

Andrew Tran: When are you going to give me my Amazon blanket and Informer back?

- You thief

Arlene Cai: Let's make cookies together again! We had an unexpected guest last time;) Miss you!

**Austin Anderson**: No sleeping in on volunteering events this semester! We put our faith in you oh tall and giant one.

**Belinda Jiang**: I love your random moments of.... Randomness! Hope to see you at more events this semester!

Bowen Cai: Thanks for being such a great Big Sib to your family and taking care of some of my kiddos! Also, thanks the goodie hag!!

Brian Kim: I'm excited to see what other Korean games will be featured at family events hehe Every time I see you.. I think of Stitch now.

**Bryan An**: Let's hope JCM brings their 5PM bread in on time this semester.....

Camilla Yen: Miss seeing your sweet and smiley face at events! Please grace us with your presence.

Cao Truong: Thanks for giving so much to ABSA! It's great to see how involved you are both inside and outside your family. Chris Liu: I do not appreciate your attempts

to scare me during Assassins. Tiffany loves me more than you. **Christina Lien**: I love seeing you and Maria interact! You're so good at maintaining a

straight face....
Christine Chu: I feel like you're always
dancing when I see you! It's super cute!!
Clarissa Gondoprawiro: Come out of any
closets lately?:)

**Debbie Chang**: You have the prettiest Facebook profile pictures! Whenever one pops up on my newsfeed, it makes me stop and staaaaaare.

Elizabeth Kwan: Your brother tried to trick me into thinking you two weren't related. He almost got me. I'm glad you're nicer than he is.

Elvis Yang: Please help us with our volley-ball tournament. We will love you forever. Emily Fu: NO FRECKLE! Omg that picture of the bread, avocado, and fried egg thing made my mouth water. I don't even like avocados..

Eric Ma: I'm excited to see what other crazy things you'll do to your hair this

### Shout Outs

semester.

Esther Kim: Thanks for the extension.

T\_T You are the nicest being in the world!!

Felicia Zhang: It was nice going to Stone with you for a bit! I loved being the third wheel and seeing Jeff get bullied hehe

Florence Sung: Thank you for the extension, Flo! I can't wait to hear your cute

announcements during GMs again. ☺ **Fred Yang**: Hey, I didn't know you were an ABSA member! Wowww!

Ginnie Ko: Thanks for all your help when I was studying for my Accounting final! You're seriously the greatest. Please help me this semester as well

**Grace Liu**: I love the pick up line statuses you post on Facebook! Eat lunch with me, cutiepatootie.

Hannah Kang: Miss you miss you miss you miss you miss you.

Hoai Truong: Please post more videos of your beautiful singing! Also, teach me how to do a sock bun. I have two left hands. (
Huyen Tran: A little birdie told me you've been raking in some big dough from all that UT Austin clothing exchange stuff. Teach me your ways.

Ima Linzag: You have just about the sweetest smile anyone can have! I can't wait to see all your "on point" outfits this semester!! Jeannette Tang: Hi Jeannette. Heh.

Jessie Chan: PLAY IM SPORTS THIS SEMESTER. I've heard you're quite the little athlete!

**Jennifer Park**: Let's have more study sessions together this semester! You're such a good and quiet partner to be with.

**Jimmy Nguyen**: Hope you had fun visiting Houston over winter break! You were too quiet that day.... I like the original Jimmy.

**John Song**: When are you bringing me MagCaf? I'm still waiting.

Johnny Vo: Dude.. that Christmas picture of you and your fambam is so cute. When you're not ratchet.... You look pretty spiffy!
Jonathan Cheung: Your resolution for this New Year is to not steal Anna's food.

Jonathan Ong: You're always super well dressed! Except for those few days when you had no shoes to wear....

Joseph Kim: I don't know.. but sometimes, you give me this weird look that says you know something about me that I don't know that you know.

**Joseph Oh**: Bring your pennyboard to GM! I need to practice.

**Joy Ahn**: I thought you said you were going to come out to our events now.. What happened?

**Julia Hoang**: Can you answer my texts? Ya poop. -\_\_-

Julian Rui Mateo: Teach me how to play the ukulele!!!!

**Karen Shang**: I let you kill me for Assassins.... And you don't even win?! Much disappointment, Karen.

**Kenny Young**: Come out to more ABSA stuff, loserrrrr!

**Kentaro Inao**: Thanks for always being so upbeat during ABSA events!

Kristeen Chan: I'm sorry for sneaking into your apartment and trying to kill you.. It was all Elvie!

**Krystina Diao**: You're always so nice it makes me want to cry. T\_\_\_T Just kidding! Thanks for putting up with my weirdness and letting me hug you!

Liam Kelly: Thanks for ALWAYS making me laugh! Seriously.... Without fail. You can make me laugh by doing anything!! Linh Dao: Thanks for sending me the sweetest Facebook messages all the times! Let's hang out and eat together!!!! Lisa Bui: You know you love me. XOXO

Gossip Girl. JUSTKIDDING hahaha You're the greatest big ever!!!!

**Lisa Feng**: So I heard you're going to cut Jason's hair? Maria is an expert at that! Get advice from her.

Lucia Hua: Can I live with you? So you can bake me all those wonderful things I've been seeing on Facebook this break?

Luther Fan: It was fun hanging out with you during the ABSA hangout over the break! Oh and please help me with my resume.

Mickey Li: You blew me away at Dodge for a Cause. You'll participate in our volleyball tournament as well right? ⊚

**Monica Li**: Oh Monica.... How I miss hearing the weird sayings you come up with. Come out to more events you goof!

Nadia Khan: I promise to not eat so many of your fries! So come out to our next  $KAB!!! \odot$ 

Nancy Liu: Omg that picture of you playing ping pong on Facebook.... You looked like such a pro.

Newton Liu: Hope to see you at more events this semester! Bring Kenny along with you! Your bromance is so cute. ⊚

**Nicholas Liu**: Ah another semester ahead of us.... Let's hope I don't fail so miserably. Much prayers appreciated.

Nina Tanuwidjaja: Whenever I see a cat sweater, I think of you! You pull them off the best out of everyone I've seen though.;) Paul Nguyen: Thanks for taking care of my little babies in your family! Miss your chill humor and attitude during branch meetings:

Phillip Yoon: Hope you had a restful break! When are we eating!!! It's been forever since you promised.

Rebecca Fu: Once again.... FRECKLE! Thanks for letting me borrow your skirt! Sorry for taking so long to return it haha Regan Wang: Master of Pump.... Teach me your ways! Your feet were moving so fast they were literally invisible.

Russell Kan: Thanks for always being around to help ABSA out! It can get tiring, but you're always so happy and kind! Samantha Choi: Thanks for that sweet

Samantha Choi: Thanks for that sweet thank you message last semester! You and Alex are such a funny and cute pair of friends!

**Sangbin Kwon**: Oppaya. I love that song by Jeff Bernat too!!!! So smoooooth.

**Sarah Chen**: I miss seeing you at Feed Your Mind meetings!

**Sarah Qin**: I love running into you at the front desk in the lobby! You're always so cheery that it makes me happy!

**Shufen Wang**: Dude how do you get your hair to be so beautiful with all those waves? Please teach me cause I'm seriously the worst

**Stephen Zhu**: It was great seeing you over the break! I wish you had taken the kiddos to do more fun things.-\_\_-

Steven Yen: I saw that video you made for UBC! It was really funny and well made. I felt so proud, and I didn't even make it!

Sumin Cha: It was great getting to study with you during finals week! Why is accounting so hard? T\_T Hope to see you around more!

Sylvia Yang: So when's my photoshoot? I'll work for free since you're a friend. ;)
Taehoon Kim: Bbyubbyu.

**Tessie La:** Kick Maria out, so I can be your roommate! I'll make you breakfast in bed every morning!

Tri Nguyen: "Studying"

Veronica Sun: AHH you're seriously sooo cute! You give really nice hugs for someone who is so skinny.. I like being around you.

Vivian Wang: I'm stealing you away from Kelvin for real this time. Come join the better side. Come join the cooler ex-volunteering director. HEHE.

Yoon Lee: It was good seeing you over the break! Hope you enjoyed Houston! Even though I bet you guys only played games for the rest of the trip....

Zack Kingsak: I hope you're enjoying Korea!!!! UGH I'm so jealous of you. Let me know if you need anything!

### Members

### Alex Zou:

Alex Liu: Hi Jeffrey's bae! :P

Amanda Shang: Amanda! You are such a fun person and you are so good at running with swag!! :P

**Angela Meng**: Angela! You are always such a nice and smart person.

**Anh Ho:** We still have to have a brown bag sometime! :)

Anna Chong: BETANNA!!! Thanks for being such a great VP. You are such an amazing role model because you are always so on top of things.

**Audra Fields:** MERF! BHPellas? Heartmony? We need to make it soon!

Austin Anderson: I really like how you are always so caring and willing to help people. Bowen Cai: Hi favorite big sib! You da best! :D

**Brian Kim**: I better still see you during Dance Labs on Friday!

Camilla Yen: I'm really glad you are in the same family as me. You should come out to more family events because it's always really fun with you.

**Cao Truong**: Hey twin. We should grab lunch together sometime bro!

Caroline Lee: Hey Caroline! I am really glad you are part of External and that I got to know you a lot better.

Carvey Leung: So glad you have decided to come out to more ABSA events. It's always great seeing you! :)

Chris Liu (freshman): Wassup twin! We need to rebuild our twin connection. We are kind of slacking.

**Chris Liu(sophomore)**: Hey favorite! You are the bomb! KABOOM!

**Christina Xie:** PLEASSSEEEE! You better be taking Intermediate this semester.

**Christine Chu:** Christewww. You are pretty good at dancing..i guess. :P

**Emily Fu:** We should talk to each other in Chinese from now on! :P Thanks for planning such a fun Dallas ABSA reunion!

Eric Ma: Hey Eric. I can't wait to get to know you better during our trip studying abroad in Hong Kong!

**Flo Sung**: I love how you are always so upbeat and happy. Great job on all the Informers!

**Ginnie Ko**: Hi favorite medium! Or am I also a medium now? #promoted

Gordon Tsai: Good luck ar Mr. McCombs, Gordon! You got this Mr. Super Talented. I still can't believe you are younger than me. Grace Liu: Grass Pls. Thanks for being such a fun person to hang out with! Hans Uy: Hey Hans! Hope I will still see

you around a lot at BHP and ABSA events. **Helena Shi**: It's cool we see each other all the time. We should go visit Neal again!:) **Hoai Truong**: I hope I get to see you at social dance this semester!

**Huyen Tran**: From all the photos I see you take on Facebook, I can see you are really good at photography! :)

Jackson Pei: Hey Jackson! We should hang out and play ping-pong together again. You give really good advice when you aren't trolling people!

Jason Guo: IT'S OKKKKK! GUTTER BALL! Still salty that I lost to you at bowling by a few points. Thanks for always driving me around. I expect you to continue doing that! :P

**Jeffery Han**: Hey Jeffery! It's been really fun hanging out with you lately!

**Jeffery Hung**: Hey Jeffery. You are such a nice person. I can't wait to get to know you better this semester.

Jennifer Park: I am writing your shoutout and it's your Birthday!! Hope you had a good one. Thanks for being such a good friend and great person.

**Jimmy Nguyen**: JUMMY! #Activators. OK peace out!

John Paul Song: SONG BROTHER! We still need to have our Golden Bag!

John Weng: Hey John! :D

**Johnny Vo**: MONICA! I love how you're so chill and cool about everything.

**Joseph Lee**: You're gross. Go away. Bye Felicia! Jk, you're ok, I guess.

Josh Hu: Josh! Thanks for the ride back to Plano. You still need to take me to that ramen place like you said you would. !P Julia Hoang: JULIA! WAHHHH! Let's play ping-pong again! You are always super

nice and sweet! **Karen Shang**: KAREN! Super excited to go to Hong Kong this summer with you!

Kelvin Nguyen: Hey Scrub! :P

Kevin Duong: Thanks for teaching me to be more positive and optimistic, Kevin!:) Kimberly Young: Hey Kimberly! You have a really nice smile. It always lights up the room!:D

Kristy Liang: Hi favorite big sib! You da best! :D

**Linda Luo**: Hey Linda! I'm really glad that I got to meet you last semester because you are such a nice and cool person.

**Lucia Hua**: I see all the pictures you post of all the stuff you bake. It always makes me so hungry! Share please. :P

Macy Huang: Hey Macy! It's been cool seeing you around and can't wait to party it up with you in Hong Kong.

Maria Mai: I WIN! We still need to have our Jenga battle though.

Michael Bolls: It was nice getting to know you last semester. Hope you had fun in Hong Kong and tell me all the fun places I should go visit this summer.

Newton Liu: Newton! Hope I can see you around more and get to know you better.
Nina Tanuwidjaja: Hey Nina!! :D- From

your favorite person ever! **Paul Nguyen**: Hi favorite big sib! You da best! :D

Phillip Yoon: Hey best friend! :) Hope you get more rest this semester. You deserve it!
Rachel Lee: Hey Big Sis! :D Thanks for being such a wonderful person!

Rebecca Fu: Let's go take some artsy pictures with your new fancy camera! I love taking cool pictures with nice cameras. :P Russell Kan: I better still see you around

when you're in Blanton!

Sabeeha Islam: SABEETHUG! Thanks for

being such an awesome and professional role model.

Samantha Choi: Hey Samantha! I hope our Triffett of ill hope or Samantha!

Trifecta still hangs out a lot this semester even though we don't have Psychology together anymore. Maybe you guys can just come watch my Government class with me! Let's also play ping-pong again and have another sleepover at Jummy's.

Sangbin Kwon: SANGBIN! You're such a pro bowler. Please teach me your ways. Sang-yop Kwon: HEY PARTNER! :) You are the best. Never change!

### ABSA INFORMER

Shufen Wang: Laurfen...you're on probation so I don't know if I am supposed to write you one of these. I'm taking a big risk here.

**Steven Yen**: Hey Steven! You are a very interesting person.. :P

Sumin Cha: Hi Sumin! :) Glad you are in my family so I can get to know you better. Taehoon Kim: Hey Mr. Sexy! You still have so many layers of me to discover.

**Tessie La**: Hi favorite big sib! You da best! :D

**Tiffany Weng:** Hey Tiffany! You are always so nice and kind! I still have your fuzzy sock present because I didn't see you during exam week.

Veronica Sun: Hey Veronica, my permit buddy! :P We should hang out more at UT! Vivian Wang: Vivian! Here's your shoutout! :D Thanks for being such a good friend. It's sad we don't hang out as much anymore in college.

Yoon Lee: YOON Wassup Bro! :)

### **Lisa Feng:**

Amanda Shang: We were destined to meet. Waddle waddle. Thanks for all of the hard work and effort you put forth in our branch! <3

Andrew Huang: You probably won't see this any time soon, but I hope you're having fun in Hong Kong! Thanks for being a fun person to be around!

Angela Meng: Thanks for helping me gather my thoughts together before Startup Sim kickoff! You did a great job at Madrigal, especially with the moose song;)

Anna Chong: It is always nice seeing you with a smile on everywhere you go (:

**Austin Anderson**: Thank you for helping us out a lot at Startup Sim!

Cao Truong: Sorry for holding you back in Suits. :P I think my laptop is working properly again though! But then again, who knows. Thanks for being a great person to talk to and hang out with!

**Chris Wong**: Hey Chris, thanks for putting up with all of my shenanigans. 8)

Daniel Chen: You know how you said you would show me all the good places to eat around Austin? Can we at least make that happen once this semester? :P

Daniel Wang: Hello San Jac buddy! Thanks for coming to Startup Sim, and I hope to see you at more ABSA events in the future! (: Frie Ma. Dive your hair back. Please.

**Eric Ma**: Dye your hair back. Please. Thanks for being a bro, Naruto.

Felicia Zhang: Fuh-lee-ciaaa! Thanks for being a great big sib and a wonderful sister in Christ! Your laugh is very contagious, just in case if you didn't know that already.

**Gordon Tsai**: Hi Gordon! It's nice running into you in the most random places all the time.

Hannah Kang: Hi big sib! You're a very kind and genuine person to talk to. Let's get a brown bag together some time!

Hans Uy: I look forward to having more classes with you in the future so we can continue our little sleeping picture competition. We should continue our weekly lunch tradition with our BHP crew (:

Hoai Truong: Hi Hoai! It's amusing watching you pick on Sabeeha;) So, why does your FB name change with the seasons? Laura Yang: Thanks for being such a fun person to talk to!

Jackson Pei: Teach me how to be a pro at cramming for tests and still do well on them please!

Jason Guo: Hi mama duck! Thanks for taking good care of me this past semester and bringing me food/medicine when I was sick! Jeff Su: Hello big sib! It's been nice getting to know you this past semester after our

interesting first initial meeting.

Jennifer Yang: Jenniferrrrr, my fellow short buddy! We should get a brown bag together some time! (:

**Jessie Chan**: Thank you for being my voice of reason when times are tough and always being there for me. Best roomie <3

Jimmy Nguyen: I will never forget your laugh; it never fails to make me smile. Thanks for being a great friend and giving me honest advice!

Joseph Lee: Hello, fellow late night crammer in McCombs! But no worries, no more medical terminology next semester! Haha please go to sleep at a normal time!

Josh Hu: Thanks for helping me out so much this past semester, from giving me meaningful advice to helping my spiritual growth by taking me to Stone every Sunday and leading Bible study! You're a fun and great guy to be around. (:

Karen Shang: Great job with Feed Your

Kelvin Nguyen: Just so you know, you didn't force me to go back ALL the way home during Startup Sim. I still could have escaped if I had really tried. :P

Kristeen Chan: Hi cutie!! (: It was fun cooking with you for Thanksgiving potluck before I passed out on the couch for 2 hours. I hope I was a comfortable pillow for you;) Lucia Hua: Hello San Jac neighbor!! It's great seeing your lovely face around all the time, especially when we run into each other in the lobby at 4 AM. Please go to sleep earlier!!

**Macy Huang**: Hello, conjoined twin. Need I say more?;)

Maria Mai: Hi Maria! Thanks for being so cheerful all the time! Your enthusiasm is contagious:D

Mickey Li: Mickey mouse! Thanks for being there for me whenever I needed someone to talk to and always being a great listener!

Regan Wang: I have successfully influenced your turtle. You're welcome.
Robert Ma: Thanks for your helpful tips

and not judging my incompetency with brain teasers during Mock Interview Marathon!

Russell Kan: Hi Russell! It's always nice hanging out with you and listening to your witty remarks. I admire your enthusiasm for everything that you do.

Sabeeha Islam: Sabeethug, I didn't know you liked to dress up as an elf! ;) Thank you so much for everything that you do for our branch <3

Samantha Choi: Hey... got any grapes? Hehe you have almost succumbed.... Thanks for being a dedicated co-director! Sang-yop Kwon: Stop sleeping in the atrium at night!! Go to sleep at a normal time, please! Thanks for being a fun person to hang around, fellow Big Booty!

**Stephen Zhu**: Hello, father! Thanks for taking good care of me and giving me good advice (:

Steven Yen: Your video filming/editing skills never fail to impress me! Great job with all of the ABSA pictures and videos!

Sylvia Yang: Hi Sylvia!! Your scrapbooking skills are amazing, and I love looking at all the pictures you take!

**Veronica Sun**: Great job with all of the social events this past semester! You're always a fun person to hang around!

Yoon Lee: Hey Yoon! It's been fun hanging out with you this past semester! I figured out the secret behind the black magic trick you showed Mickey and me, btw.

Zulian Tjuatja: Hi grandpa! It's always fun listening to your stories and your notso-subtle jokes. Thanks for all of the good advice you've given me so far!

### Veronica Sun:

Andrew Huang: I'm so glad that I met you this semester through brown bag. It's always so fun to be around you and just joke around. I will miss you a lot this spring but know you will not be forgotten!

Internal Branch: The last month of fall semester was a busy one but we made it through together! I look forward to another amazing semester with the happiest branch. Jackson Pei: Thank you for always being able to really listen to a naïve and inexperienced freshman like me. You always never fail to teach me and give me advice and more common sense.

Jeff Su & Felicia Zhang: You two are such amazing people that I really admire and want to learn more from. I'm glad that we were all able to share our experiences together and open up.

Jennifer Yang: Short does not only describe you. Cute, sweet, helpful as well as many other positive aspects describe you. The more I am around you, the more I feel the warmth and friendliness you just give off and its just amazing!

Johnny Vo: After finally participating in more family events, I really have gotten to know you better and am thankful to have someone as cool and "hood" as you in my life!

**Josh Hu**: Sincerely, I want to thank you for everything. You have consistently reached out to me and helped me, and for that I am very grateful.

Joseph Kim: You really are a thoughtful and amazing person that I'm glad to have re-met again after these years. Thank you for going out of your way to write notes and give everyone gifts!

Kristeen Chan: I'm always so thankful that you reach out to me. It really shows what an amazingly nice and friendly person you are despite the fact that we haven't ever gotten to get to have our brown bag. BUT WE WILL SOON!

Lisa Feng & Mickey Li: I guess its also like what I said to Jeff and Felicia, but thank you guys as well for being there for me and really hearing me out. As fellow peers, I'm glad to have become better friends with both of you guys.

Maria Mai: Thank you for always being there for me. Not only guiding me in decisions but also with things that are going on in my life. You always put a smile on my face!

Media Directors (Krystina, Steven, Sylvia): You guys have really been a great help to ABSA, internal, and just me as a friend. To the sweetest and most creative people out there – keep it up!

**Tachoon Kim**: Thank you for everything. I don't really know what else to say but a very concise and sincere THANK YOU!

### Vivian Wang:

Alex Zou: Hey Alex! I'm still waiting for my TBH, you know :P

**Alexander Au**: I am not a hustler, but thank you for the shirt and the scarf! Shall we play another game of poker?;)

**Amanda Shang**: Mandieee! Thanks for catching me the other day at KAB. You are my savior!

Amy Xin: Haha Amy you always make me laugh! I'm glad we get to hang out with our family:)

**Andrew Huang**: We still need to eat together! :)

Angela Meng: Thanks for letting me borrow your scarf! It kept me very warm:)
Anna Chong: Hehe I'm so glad I was in your group at camping. I would love to be in

your branch. I love you! ^ ^

Audra Fields: Mwah! I love you! The first time we met each other was basically my ideal first date. It was raining, and we were sharing an umbrella;)

**Austin Anderson**: I'm so excited to watch Big Bang Theory with you!! Yay!

**Brian Kim**: Hehe I still remember the time when we played that zombie game at D&B, and you panicked more times than Christine. \*fist bump\*

**Brian Liew**: Papa's back! We need to play ERS again.

**Bryan** An: Bryan! Haha I like how we randomly see each other in Jester and freak out about accounting:P

Cao Truong: Hey Cao! You're such a nice person! We need to have a brown bag together!

**Charlene Shu**: Charlene! I'm so glad I got to meet you!

Chris Liu (Freshman): Thanks for teaching me econ last semester and for making me laugh! Also, you are too pro at Super Smash 'P

Chris Liu (Sophomore): I'm so glad we met this year! We should've talked more in MIS haha.

Chris Wong: Grandpa Chris! You are an awesome Big Sib. I guess I can only karate chop you because you're not ticklish. :P Christina Lien: I'm so glad we got to meet this year! I like how your animal is a starfish.

**Christine Chu**: Christine! Why are you such a pro at dancing? Please teach me one day.

**Dan Lubis**: Hi Dan! I'm glad we get to hang out in Ohana!

Daniel Chen: Daniel! Haha you always make me laugh. I'm gonna make you play Just Dance one day and record it for you to see.

Daniel Wang: Hey Daniel! I'm so glad we got to meet and hang out in Ohana this year! Emily Fu: I had a lot of fun bowling the other day! I love having a group hug with you and Rebecca <3 We are like penguins hehe.

Esther Kim: Esther! I still can't believe you're older than Kelvin haha. I'm glad we got to meet through the branch!

Ethan Chen: I'm sorry I threw socks at you hehe:)

Ethan Ho: Thanks for being such an awesome co-director! You sing pretty well :P Felicia Zhang: Hey Felicia! You are so cute. :)

Florence Sung: I'm so glad we're in the same branch! You're so studious!

Ginnie Ko: You're so cute and silly, my derp. Also, you're a pro at basketball. I love you!

Gordon Tsai: Haha I didn't quite believe you at first when you said you had a sword in your bag, but you're really good at wushu and dancing! :)

**Grace Liu**: Ohana couple! I enjoy hugging you haha! ^ ^

Hannah Kang: Hannah! Thanks for all the help and advice you gave me at workshops! Helena Shi: Helena! I love your bubbly personality! We need to have a brown bag together:)

Ima Linzag: You are so cute, Ima!! Also, you are a pro at cooking. Please make me food haha:)

**Jackson Pei**: Thanks for stealing all the Oreos at Alumni Weekend. Hehe jk! You're such a fun person to be around:)

Jason Guo: I'm still your mama or grandma duck, right?;) Also no, I'm not eating Korean food for that reason:P

Jason Wu: You are so funny! You always make me laugh. Meow meow meow meow.

### Shout Outs

**Jeannette Tang**: Jeannette! You are too sweet! ^ ^

**Jeff Su**: Thanks for all your help and advice! :)

Jeffrey Han: Thanks for teaching me how to play Super Smash! Also, stop blocking my way all the time and beating me at FRS: P

Jenney Ling: Momma Jenney! Thanks for caring so much for Ohana! I love you! \*hug\*

Jennifer Park: You are too cute and sweet!! Hehe I love your hugs. Let's get lunch sometime!

**Jennifer Yang:** Jennifer! You're such a sweet person. We need to have a brown bag together one day!

**Jessie Chan**: Hey Jessie! You are really good at basketball.

**Jimmy Nguyen:** Why are you so good at dancing and solving riddles? Lend me your skills please.

John Chen: You are too pro at the waltz! Thanks for teaching me!

**John Song**: John! Thanks for always saying hi to me! :D

**Johnny Vo**: Don't stay up so late all the time hehe!

**Joseph Lee**: Thanks for letting me join your study group and for helping me with MIS last semester! Man, you are too smart. Time to tackle GOV 312!

**Joseph Oh**: I'm glad we get to randomly see each other on J6. I hope your leg's gotten better!

Josephine Lin: I'm so glad we finally met! We need to hang out more!

**Josh Hu**: Josh! Thanks for driving me at KAB volunteering!

**Julia Hoang**: We need to go to Costco together one day and eat all the free samples hehe.

**Justin Sung**: Justin! I don't see you as much anymore.

Karen Shang: I like your dance:)
Kelvin Nguyen: We need to have a branch social at the zoo or something. How could you have not gone before?:P

**Kenny Young**: Why are you so smart?! :D **Kevin Duong**: I like how you're always smiling! :)

Kristeen Chan: Thanks for making yummy banana muffins!

**Krystina Diao**: I like the artists you listen to ;) Also, way to beat Steven at Super Smash! **Linh Dao**: Linh! You are too cute!

**Lisa Feng**: Hey Lisa! We should have lunch one day.

**Lucia Hua**: Please make me food, like, all the time haha <3

Macy Huang: Why are you so tall and flexible and good at dancing? I feel like an old lady next to you haha:)

Maria Mai: Maria! Yes, we shall have a rematch soon;) Also, "And I was like, I don't know any ponies" hehe.

Michael Bolls: Hope you're having fun in Hong Kong!:)

Mickey Li: You are such a pro at dodgeball! Please teach me.

**Newton Liu**: Newton! I'm so glad we got to meet this year! We should have a brown bag one day.

**Nina Tanuwidjaja**: Ninaaaa! You always make me smile haha! ^ ^

Phillip Yoon: Thanks for being my accounting study buddy and staying up late all those nights to study with me. You da real MVP! Also, we need to watch more action movie clips! #ballislife

**Quan Nguyen**: Uncle Quan! Thanks for being such a wonderful Big Sib! I'm sorry Macy and I threw away your best friend, Mr. Pumpkin.

Rebecca Fu: Rebecca! I think I can finally

tell you and Emily apart now haha. I love our group hugs! ^ ^

Regan Wang: Papa Regan! Thanks for being such a big part of Ohana and for all your advice! Let's go play some more Pump It Up!

**Sabeeha Islam**: Do not worry! I am working on my thug face hehe. :)

Samantha Choi: Samantha! You're so sweet. We need to have lunch together some time!

**Sang-Yop Kwon**: Sang-Yop! Shall we play hide-and-seek again? I promise I won't hide as well;)

**Sangbin Kwon**: Chef Sangbin! Thanks for cooking all the meat for us at Jin's!

**Sean Lin**: Thanks for being the funny and caring person I know! Shall we play another game of poker?;)

Shelley Chen: Shelley! \*poke\*
Stephanie Kao: Hope you're having an awesome time in Paris!

**Stephen Zhu:** Thank you for all your advice, Stephen! Also, thanks for making me laugh!

Steven Yen: Thanks for the tuna! Also, we need to play Super Smash again so I can beat you!

Sumin Cha: Thanks for all of your director advice! I'm so glad we're in the same branch!

**Sylvia Yang**: You are a pro with cameras. Please teach me:)

**Taehoon Kim**: I promise I do not hate Frozen. :P

**Tiffany Nguyen**: Thanks for helping me get through the Haunted House back in October! Come out to more events! We miss you!

**Trini Tran**: NOOOOOOB. Hehe we need to have lunch together some day!

Vamsee Ravella: I got your nose. Veronica Sun: Ahh you are too cute! We need to have a brown bag together soon! Yoonsup Lee: I like your bowling style hehe:)

### Sang-Yop Kwon:

Alex Zou: Thank you for all of your hard work partner! And the present you got me now sits at the head of my car and guides me as I drive hue.

Angela Meng: You were great at Madrigal! I still remember some of that moose song... Anna Chong: Our Glorious Leader Grand Master Ssaem Chong. Thank you for taking care of us, and make sure you eat and sleep. Austin Anderson: Hey dude thanks for coming to pick us up after Treefolks haha. It helped a lot!

**Brian Kim**: Great job with the family program so far, and I look forward to watching more KDC performances!

**Cao Truong**: It was fun playing tennis with you towards the end of the semester! Let's play a lot this coming semester!

Caroline Lee: DFC was great! Props to you and Kevin for working so hard to put on such a great event.

Ginnie Ko: GEEEEEEHEEEEEE! It's been fun hanging out, and I wish you a speedy recovery!

Helena Shi: I don't know if I can beat 261 characters, but you've been a very reliable friend and I'd like to thank you for that. You've done a lot of great work so far, so keep it up!

Jason Guo: From that time that we went through the McDonalds drive through multiple times until now, I feel like our friendship has grown a lot, and I'm thankful for everything you've done for me. Cheers! And here's to another bright semester!

Jennifer Park: You know for a while I think I saw you in McCombs every night......

Make sure you get some sleep:).

Jennifer Yang: Hooooooot

Pooooooooot

Jimmy Nguyen: What to say. I've shared a lot of experiences with you over the various years, and I want to thank you for being there for me in thick and thin.

Johnny Vo: And so the training begins. Let's try to win ourselves a championship! John Song: Thanks for always hanging out and eating with me Monica;). You're a great friend, and I'm thankful that Sijoon introduced us!

Joseph Lee: Thanks for hanging out with us in Houston Jolee. May your saltiness forever fuel Salty Bros!

Josh Hu: Thank you for coming out to

KAB! Your attendance meant a lot! **Kevin Duong** – Great job with DFC, and thank you for always bringing a positive attitude to branch meetings! It really helps a lot.

Lucia Hua - #TREATYOSELF

**Luther Fan** – Have a great time in Hong Kong, and getting hot pot and playing board games was a lot of fun!

Maria Mai – Thank you for always being there to listen and give advice. I've greatly enjoyed our conversations.

Mickey Li – May the value be with you table tennis Master Li! Hanging out with you and playing ping pong has been a lot of fun! Phillip Yoon – Hey Phillip. Remember to take it easy sometimes! And remember, you the realest!

Sabeeha Islam – I feel like I add to my Russian image of you every week or two. It started with only the glass of liquor, but it's evolved into so much more. Good day Comrade Sabeeha.

Sangbin Kwon – Keep up the work as a WOOHOO big. I think you're doing great;) but you must respect tsum tsum kami sama. Stephen Zhu – Thanks for letting us stay with you over the break and for checking up me a lot. I appreciate it!

**Tiffany Weng** – Great job with PR so far! You and Helena always seem to be pretty on top of things, so props!

Yoonsup Lee – Eyyyyyyy hanging out with you towards the end of the semester and over break was a lot of fun! Let's play more tennis sometime!

Zack Kingsak – Good luck in Korea, and eat a lot of good food for me! – Namja chingoo

### Nina Tanuwidjaja:

Alex Hui: Let's go to the park more often! But not after we just ate a bunch of sushi. Alex Liu: Why didn't you come up to Dallas?! You could've seen the lights with us :( Amanda Tan: I hope you had a fun winter break with your boyfriend!:)

Angela Meng: HAPPY FRIENDSHIPVER-SARY 1/16/14 < 3

**Anna Su:** I still have your afro. I'm going to keep it forever because it reminds me of you.

**Ashley Advani:** Thanks for sitting next to me at EOS:) Let's talk more though this semester!

Ashley Kim: I hope your winter break was awesome! See you more this semester?! Christine Chu: Let's have another fun semester as WOOHOO! bby <3

**Duy Vu:** I hope you had a fun winter break! **Edward Liao:** Thanks for always letting us use your house! And for watching the Hobbit with me!

Emily Fu: You can eat so much! I'm super impressed and jealous!!

**Florence Sung:** I'm doing my shoutouts on time hehe.

Hanna Jones: Please bake things for me! I

hope you had a fun winter break with your family!

**Henry Vo:** You're always sleeping! Stop that. Come to our events instead:)

Ian Lee: It looks like you had a lot of fun on your cruise! I haven't seen you in a while; let's go get pho again!

**James Abbott:** I hope your winter break was filled with lots of fun memories!

James Zhang: I miss you!! I don't even know if you're going to see this :( Jay Song: I hope your engineering finals

went well and you had a great winter break!

Jeffrey Han: Thanks for being my Snapchat
best friend. Maybe I'll watch American Horror Story with you this semester. Maybe.

**Jin Yoon:** I hope you had an awesome winter break!

**John Song:** I'm sorry you don't like my present :( :( :(

Joseph Oh: HAPPY BELATED BIRTH-DAY! I'm sorry I forgot :( I remember you were the 2nd baby born in Lubbock that day though:)

Josephine Lin: I hope you had a relaxing winter break! See you at more family events?!

**Kang Park:** Why are you so good at Trivia Crack?!

**Kevin Gwen:** PINOCCHIO. You better come out to more things because you made me wait awkwardly for you in the PCL when you weren't even there!!

**Kimberly Young:** I hope your winter break was fun! See you and your pretty face soon:)

Linda Luo: You're cool for spontaneously coming to watch Big Hero 6 with us! <3
Linh Dao: Ahhh Linh! I'm writing this on your birthday! HAPPY BIRTHDAY AGAIN <3 You deserve a super amazing birthday because you are a super amazing person!

Lucia Hua: I saw some Hello Kitty things at Target today and thought of you:) Macy Ting: I hope your winter break was awesome! See you more this coming

semester!!

Michelle Zhou: I always ask Hanna
where you are! Hope to see you more this
semester!!

Nhu Vu: You don't even go to UTD!!

Phillip Yoon: I hope you had a good winter break!

Sam Frost: Sam! I miss you! I hope you're doing well!

**Sangbin Kwon:** Let's have another fun semester as WOOHOO! co-big <3

**Shannon Wu:** I hope you had a fun winter break! You promised to come out to something this semester, so you better keep your promise!!

Stefanie Sugiaman: We'll do a Running Man event soon hehe. Hope you had a great break!

**Trini Tran:** Meow meow star farm. -flips cat off table-

Vivian Pham: So hangry. So pro at golf.
Sorry for ditching you on the all you can eat wagon:

### Johnny Vo:

Academic Branch:

Jennifer Yang: I'm really glad to be in your branch! You're a great leader and a good friend. :D

Jimmy Nguyen: Sup, Scooby doo? Your laugh is the most memorable thing about you and your laughing makes any situation a million times funnier. I like all the ideas you come up with for our branch and ABSA. I think you have a good overall perspective of ABSA and hope you continue to build on it

to make ABSA better!

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Josephine Lin: ugh same branch again?! Why you following me everywhere? Just kidding haha. You're always so funny and I'm glad we werkin' this year again.

Karen Shang: Super excited to be working with you this year! At first, at director announcements, I was like "Who is this girl? Better be cool." LOL jk but you're pretty cool.

Macy Huang: HUANG KONG! I thought you were intimidating and serious at first, but you turned out to be really chill and funny. LOL Continue doing you, bruh.

Rebecca Fu: Hey Rebecca! I'm really glad you chose to join Academic and hope we can get closer as the year progresses!

#### **Feed Your Mind Committee:**

Feed Your Mind Committee: I'm super happy and glad (and excited) to work with you guys this year. Everyone has been really on top of his or her part of the project and I'm soooo excited to see the end product. Let's make this year's Feed Your Mind a great and memorable one.:)

Alex Hui: I like how relaxed and calm you are. Something goes wrong, you don't worry, but you get on it and find a solution! Keep truckin' on!

Alex Liu: Yo Alex! You're our car rep. LOL jk but thanks a lot already for taking members to go talk to vendors. Also, SHOUTOUT TO ALEX FOR GETTING OUR FIRST DONATION (physically)! Alice Xu: You're our Chinese rep! LOL Jessie Chan: Sup, least favorite! Why you always following me around? Same family AND committee? Dang. Kelly is, too, but she's cool. Haha jk. You're always silly, but you're on top of your game! Keep doing you, :)

**Jihuyn Yoon:** I'm glad you took a risk to apply for the committee! Let's have a lot of fun and learn together.

Linh Dao: I'm already seeing growth from you and it makes me really excited! I hope you'll learn a lot from this committee! :D Nick Liu: You're always on top of your

Russell Kan: You are super on top of your stuff! When we have an action item, you're on it by the end of the night. You also ask a lot of good questions and I'm glad you're using this committee as a learning experience.

**Sam Frost:** I like all your ideas for logistics. Let's make it great this year!

Stephanie Su: Hey Stephanie! I'm glad you're on this committee and I hope to get to know you better! I know you're really busy and I'm grateful you take time out of your day to contribute.:)

Arlene Cai: ew you ratchet

**Andrew Tran:** sup cuh you the most gangsta I know

Austin Anderson: yo waddup Austin you monica bro

**Belinda Jiang:** Glad you're in our family! You're always really funny haha.

Brian Kim: yo waddup Brian you monica bro

Cao Truong: waddup bruh I like how you're coming out to a lot of ABSA stuff this year!

Elvis Kim: Thanks for teaching us volleyball! Even though you mean.... Hehe Eric Allen: Boat party was super fun with you being there! Hahah "My anaconda don't"

Esther Kim: Hi Esther! I hope the school year goes well for you! You always seem really busy. I'm glad we're in the same family! Fred Yang: Wassup. Remember when your bicep game was so strong that the ball hit it

and bounced straight up into the air and into VSA's hands? Hahaha too swole bruh

Ginnie Ko: You're always so cheerful and playful! I'm glad you're Athletics Director and taking care of us, Coach Ko! Greg Hsiao: Where you at bro? You in

ABSA? Haha **Hans Uy:** You're really funny and smart!

OU Weekend was super fun!

Helena Shi: sup ebola

**Hoai Truong:** You're such a beast at sports! Also, really nice and humble. Keep doin' you!

Huyen Tran: Hi Big! I'm really glad you're my big! We have lots of fun being ratchet (I mean you being ratchet), and not paying attention in class, yay!

**Jackson Pei:** Mr. President, we have been invaded by aliens. Please, help.

Jeannette Tang: Why you always so mean? Jessica McCarthy: I didn't meet you until this year, but you're really cool! :D Academic <3

Jin Yoon: It was nice meeting you at GM! John Song: yo waddup John you monica

Johnny Vo: oh waddup me

**Jonathan Ong:** Always nice talking to you, bruh! That MDC Case Comp was really fun too! We'll get 'em next time. :D

Joseph Kim: You're one of the realest guys I know. I can truly believe that I can go to you for anything and you'll always have my back, brother. I'm excited to see where life takes us man!

**Joseph Lee:** Let's play tennis more, yo. That backhand is killa!

Julia Hoang: Hi Julia! It's always fun laughing with you about random things. You're doing a great job with Families btw.

Kelvin Nguyen: Hello, Kelvin! "My anaconda don't...my anaconda don't want nun unless you got buns, hun." Hahahahah jk, but I like how you laugh and smile a lot! Kristeen Chan: Hello, first ever big! I'm glad we still communicate and have a lot of fun together! Also, shoutout to you for giving one of the best birthday gifts ever! Liam Kelly: YUH G-TOWN REP BOIIIIIIII!! You're always reallilly funny and easy to talk to!

Lisa Feng: Why you always muggin' me? Luther Fan: Thank you for always helping me with MIS homework. You are the real MVP. You da MISMVP.

Maria Mai: I always have fun when I'm around you! Your laugh and jokes are really fun!

Michael Cho: Where you at, bro? I'm glad you joined though and hope you love ABSA!

Nhu Vu: Sup, cuh? Why you gotta be so ruuuuude

Nina Tanuwidjaja: YUH G-TOWN REP GIRRRRRR. I hope you feel better soon! Paul Nguyen: Hi Paul! You're always making jokes and having fun! I hope MPA is better to you!

Phillip Yoon: First things first......you da realest! Yo waddup Phillip you monica bro. Quan Nguyen: Hello first BB and BB again this year! Haha I hope you're doing well and it's always nice to grab a meal with you. Sang-Yop Kwon: yo waddup YopYop you

monica bro.

Sangbin Kwon: yo waddup Sangbin you

Sangbin Kwon: yo waddup Sangbin yo monica bro.

Sarah Huang: Ew jk. You aight. :)
Shufen Wang: Thanks for all your help,
Momma Wang. I hope I will make you
proud hehe

Sonia Hedge: OU Weekend was really fun with you!!

Sylvia Yang: waddup Huyen. Ay please

beat me in lame points. You're pretty close, too. And you should go to sleep. Stop reading this and take a nap cause you need it bruh.

Taehoon Kim: I'm really glad you're my big! It's really cool how you're very caring. I appreciate it a lot and I'm pretty sure everyone else also does. I hope we get to be friends for a really long time!

Tri Nguyen: waddup scrub. Glad you our QB doe. But you still a scrub. LOL Zack Kingsak: YUH G-TOWN REP BOIIIIII you always so energetic, it's awe-

Zi Chen: you ugly bro. like you gotta fix that... LOL jk I'm glad you joined ABSA and hopefully you can play football more next year. Let's ball out next semester.

### Jennifer Park:

some and fun!

Alex Liu: Thanks for being my procrastination buddy! Oh, and your bromance with Jeffrey is real... don't fight it, and don't deny it;)

Alex Zou: You're so thoughtful and sweet! I've had such an eventful semester because of you: the near-death elevator experience, McCombs "studying", and all those thank you cards! Thanks for those, and I hope you've gotten mine by now...

Amanda Shang: I saw you dance at the Trail of Lights... and you were freaking awesome!!!

**Angela Meng:** Your Hamtaro onesie is bae... perfectttt!!!

Anna Chong: Thanks for teaching me the ways of CoCo's:) You're so compassionate, and you work so hard to help everyone achieve their best. You're shining and inspiring!!!

Austin Anderson: Stahp bullying Emily and Rebecca... just kidding! Thanks for being so chill, and occasionally remembering my name: P As much as you tease people, I can see how much you care about everyone, and how much you help. Thanks for being awesome!

Belinda Jiang: BELINDAAA!!! You never fail to make me smile. You're humble, kind, and so funny! I'm thankful to have you in my family, and I still remember you winning that Habanero pepper challenge... you're a real warrior... you da the real MVP!

Brian Kim: Ohmygosh! Must I say? You're a really great family director... but you already knew that;) Thanks for all the hard work you and Julia put into family GMs and everything else! I'm so glad you put me in The One With; I feel at home with my family, and GMs are crazy fun. You're doing a great job!

Cao Truong: Watch out Cao; I'm gonna get you for tickling me >:) That aside, you're one of the most humble and honest people I've ever met. Thanks for being such a great The One With brother!!! I can always count on you for anything.

Chris Liu: Remember how we first met? House of Torment:) That was fun... and petrifying for the both of us. It was a real bonding experience, and I'm glad we met! Christina Lien: You did a great job on the EOS Banquet! You continue to impress me, unimpressed starfish!

**Doron Hu:** Don't worry Doron, I don't think you're lame, I think you're very intelligent, friendly, and kind. But I'm very curious as to how you got all those lame points...:)))

Emily Fu: You're so busy that I'm worried about you: (Take care of yourself, and if you ever need anything, I'll always be here for you!

Feed Your Mind Committee: You guys did an AMAZING job for FYM. I was seriously impressed by how smoothly things went. You guys are awesome!!!

Ginnie Ko: You're so nice; you always got my back, and I really really appreciate that. Oh, and thanks for introducing me to Wendy's chili; it's changed my life lolol I hope your knee gets better!

Grace Liu: Can't believe I met you now when we had class together all fall semester! You're funny, adorable, and huggable. You always have a smile on your face that lights up everyone's day... including mine:) Helena Shi: Ahmygawd not only are you super cute, you're super talented! Your drawings and your singing are amazing! Promise to serenade me someday... pinky

Huyen Tran: THE ONE WITH SWEAT-SHIRTS!!! They're perfect in every way: comfy, warm, beautiful color, simple design, and meaningful! Thanks so much Huyen:) I'm wearing it as I type this. It's my fave... hands down!

promise

**Jeffrey Han:** I honestly don't remember how we got so close, but all I know is that your sass, comebacks, and personality are flawless. Never change Jeffrey!

Jennifer Yang: Name buddy! Pluckers buddy! Best buddy in the whole world!! You are tremendously caring, patient, and kind. Thanks for inviting me to everything, and helping me adjust to ABSA and college. Oh, and thanks for buying me bibimbap!

Jessica McCarthy: Thank you for guiding me on how to paint the EOS backdrop! It was a lot of fun:)

Jessica Tinsh Lin: Thanks for everything: tolerating my bad habits, getting cookies for me on finals week, and being the best roommate I could ever ask for!

**Jessie Chan:** Dodge For a Cause was tons of fun, and you did great! I hope your leg is feeling better!

John Paul Song: You never fail to amaze me. Your altruism, kindness, sincerity, and hard work for everything and the people you love... it's incredible. Thanks for inviting me to topgolf. Thanks for being a great oppa!

Joseph Kim: Best coach for Dodge for a Cause!!! Thanks for being so encouraging and motivational:) And thanks for the finals week candy and letters; they were super sweet (pun intended)!

Joseph Lee: JoLEE!!! Just kidding! Joseph! Thanks for always making me smile. Your sass is all it takes lol Glad I met you at Scrapbooking!

**Lisa Feng:** Heyyy (bom bom bom) got any grapes? :)

Luther Fan: Thanks for recommending the white noise website; it really helps me study. Have a fantastic time in Hong Kong!!!

Maria Mai: You were a real trooper during the Funnel Cake Fundraiser! Waking up early in the morning, and coming out to the freezing cold to get the fundraiser started is not an easy thing. Thank you so much, and I think you're doing a wonderful job!

Mickey Li: Your dodgeball skills are AWESOME!!!

Paul Nguyen: Thanks for allowing me to join your family to the Trail of Lights! You're really chill, easy to talk to, and very kind. It was nice meeting you... and Homer:)

Phillip Yoon: PHILLIPPP!!! Sorry if I'm pushy and stubborn, and thanks for being patient with me when I'm like that. Your selflessness and desire to help others are astounding. Take care of yourself, keep being inspirational, and keep being zen!

**Rebecca Fu:** Don't push yourself too hard. If you ever need anything, just let me know! You're doing great!

### Shout Outs

care of ABSA members studying late into the night. We promise to be more productive... more sleep:)

Samantha Choi: You're so sweet and so much fun! McCombs studying, McCombs adventures, and watching AHS together... Princess Diaries someday!!! And congrats winning Director of the Month :)))

Sangbin Kwon: Thanks for, well... everything: giving good advice, having deep talks, being my friend, and being the oppa I never had. I can never tell you enough how thankful I am. Thanks!

Sang-Yop Kwon: SANGYOPPP!! Thanks for helping me through every problem I ever had. You're seriously very knowledgeable, patient, and generous. I honestly can't believe I met such an incredible person. Thank you! Sonia Hegde: Wow, serious shout out to you for getting first in the spaghetti-eating contest at The One With food competition event. I was seriously impressed!

Steven Yen: Thanks for the wonderful ABSA videos. They're SUPER good!! You've got some serious talent.

Sylvia Yang: Your pictures are always so adorable and, well... picture-perfect. Thanks for complimenting me all the time, but really, I'm not the cute one, but you are:)

Taehoon Kim: Thank you for spending so much time for your littles even when you're busy! You always blow my mind with your thoughtfulness. Thanks again Big Sib!

Vivian Wang: ooohmygawshhh~ you're so adorable! Thanks for your hugs and smiles; you always brighten my days!!! :)

YoonSup Lee: You were a great help at The One With and Ohana barbeque party! You were awesome, and thank you so much!!

### **Amanda Shang:**

Alex Hui: Hey Alex! I had fun at our Exectial hotpot. We should do it again! Alex Zou: ALEX! I had so much fun shopping for hot pot stuff with you. I'm still better at running though.

Anna Chong: Hi Anna! You're so funny and adorable. We should talk more! Audra Fields: Hi Audra! You're super gorgeous and friendly. I'm excited to make

more Ohana memories with you! Chris Wong: Hi Chris! Thanks for being an amazing big sib. I'm excited for more memories with Ohana this spring!

Eric Ma: Hi LegDay, let's do leg day. Still waiting for you to teach our branch how to lift and be swole.

Grace Liu: Hi Grass! It was great meeting you this semester. I had fun getting ready for EOS with you and taking third wheel pics! Jackson Pei: Hi PREZZIE. You're super cool. But your finger flick trick doesn't work anymore.

Jason Guo: Hi there. It's pretty fun being your temporary minion. Can I apply for a permanent position?

Jenney Ling: JENNEY!!! [Insert Hug] Thanks for being such a huggable and sweet Big Sib. I lava you!

Karen Shang: HI ROOMIE. QUEEN SHANG. IDK I JUST WANTED TO SAY

Lisa Feng: Hi world's most adorable minion. Thanks for being an awesome co-director. I lava you and singing the duck song with vou

Macy Huang: MACY! Hiiiii. I'm so glad we had a class together this semester. You is adorbs and beautiful.

Maria Mai: Hi Maria! You are so bubbly and cheery it makes me smile. I hope we get a chance to talk more!

Michael Bolls: Hey Michael! It was great neeting you this semester. I hope to see you at Ohana events!

Michael Chao: Hi Michael Kors, Can you get me a discount on Michael Kors?

Regan Wang: Thanks for being my personal chauffeur. I rated Rent-A-Regan a 5/5 on velp.

Russell Kan: Hey Russell. I had lots of fun putting up Christmas lights and eating hot pot with you at Exectial. Let's do it again! Sabeeha Islam: Hi thuggy! Thank you so much for making my 1st semester so amazing. I'm excited to make more branch

Samantha Choi: SamSamSam. You are duper sweet and amazing. Thanks for being a supportive co-director and a fun workout partner!

Vivian Wang: Vivian!!! You are super sweet and adorable. I will always be there to catch you when you fall;)

Zulian Tjuatja: Hey Gramps! Thanks for cooking us a delicious branch dinner and taking us to see Christmas lights! You duh

### **Mickey Li:**

memories this spring!

Alex Hui: Mr. I-wanna-join-fishing-club, it's always so interesting to talk to you. Lion City & Paciugo were so fun - let's do that again sometime soon!

Alex Zou: Plano adventures over winter break were loads of fun! Good luck this semester, and I look forward to our adventures in HK

Andrew Huang: You know, I found out what touches too ... I'm gonna miss going to Xian Sushi and Noodle with you but know you'll have fun in HK!

Angela Meng: Proud of your 2015 New Year's Resolution. Keep it up, and I'm looking forward to Scoring Careers and CFT! Austin Anderson: Thanks for bringing a lot of humor and dedication to our branch, especially the late night rides back from full/ partial sleepovers!

Brian Kim: Rock Climbing with you and Jason was lots of fun! And you're such a pro!! Teach me your ways, I need to complete 5-9 sometime :D

Elizabeth Kwan: Too many connections yo...I wish I had as many cousins as you did. Thanks for helping us get IBM :) Eric Ma: ABSA EOS Party was lots of fun with va. Teach me how to get big sometime before HK! (And during HK as well)

Felicia Zhang: Thanks for always being such a fun person to be around with!! You've always made the Plano hangouts more interesting and your cake was A+

Hannah Kang: This is pretty late, but thanks for the water bottle at Dodge For a Cause... I probably would've been dehydrated if it weren't for that!

Hans Uy: BHPaddle Buddy. Playing table tennis and Chinese chess with you has always been a blast!! Hope you brought a Chinese chess set to campus

Helena Shi: The Mechanic... you were the real MVP when we went to West. Since you're so adventurous, let's go to the gun range sometime!!

Jackson Pei: Brown bag with you last semester was awesome! Hope to do that again sometime this semester, and best of luck to vour last semester :D

Jason Guo: Winter break sleepovers were so fun :D I promise you, next time my rock climbing performance will be more satisfactory...

Jeff Su: You sir are a fine chicken noodle soup chef!! Thanks for being a great Bible study co-leader and teach me how to get big

Jimmy Nguyen: Thanks for coming out to our BBB events in Plano! Guess who

cracked the secret to your Black Magic game?

Jonathan Ong: Lieutenant, CS was an interesting class together. Good luck in 313E and let's catch up at Kinsolving sometime!! Josh Hu: Next time we go back to Plano, I need to buy you some KFC biscuits. Looking forward to future Bible study gatherings, and good luck on CPA!!

Lisa Feng: Congrats on getting your license! You're becoming a strong and independent woman who don't need no parents to drive you around .P

Lucia Hua: Thanks for doing so much for MIM2.0:) Plano winter break was fun with you and good luck to sticking to your diet. Have fun at Anthology!

Luther Fan: A huge congrats on staving Elite for the year 2015!! Teach me your ways sometime, and have fun in HK:) Russell Kan: Chilling with you during finals week last semester was fun. Hope you apply for NY CFT - that'll be an exciting trip!

Sabeeha Islam: I had no idea Plano KFC was halal, but let's go sometime over the summer! Best wishes to an awesome ABSA case comp in the spring:D

Sang-Yop Kwon: Thanks for coming out to the Christmas party! I am always inspired by your altruistic spirit :) Get enough sleep for this sem - you'll need it!

Sarah Huang: Wanna go to Canes sometime this month? I got another coupon.... But not two:'(

Stephen Zhu: Sorry that Dickeys didn't turn out the way you expected :( we'll have many more food adventures though! GL with English and gov this semester

Veronica Sun: Hope you like our Bible study group! If there's anything you need us to pray for, let us know. Good luck to your second semester :D

Yoon Lee: I'm more than impressed by your unbelievable combination of perfect pitch. Chinese, and riddles...keep it up man!

#### <u>Helena Shi:</u>

Andrew Huang: Haha Andrew, it's always fun to talk to you! It's especially interesting when we bond over our post-TAMS regrets (sighs all around). Let's go to Komé again (but for actual lunch this time). The brownies may have looked like poop, but they tasted great, btw! Unfortunately, you're in HK right now and can't read this, but whatever.

Angela Meng: Angela you're so pretty and dignified and elegant <3 you performed wonderfully at Madrigal Dinner! (Moose!!) Anna Chong: My glorious Divine Leader! Thank you for the hard work you put into us. You're amazing, and I'm so thankful to have you. I can't wait for more "fake" moments in External with you and the rest of our branch. Have an amazing wonderful lovely RESTFUL semester! Let's chat more and more <3 Your baby

Alex Hui: MIS buddy!! You're a really unique person haha, and I'm really thankful you had my back for MIS and our case comp. Srs bonding, bro! Good luck finding vour white friends in the future, but don't leave me behind after you get supah popular in your white frat LOL.

Alex Zou: Yo Alex. You gotta write me a note now because I'm writing you one! Jk we've been through so much together that I have nothing else to say to you. You be you ALPFAlex!

Austin Anderson: Hey boo ;). Maybe if you write me a long enough shoutout, you'll get a special message tonight OHOHOHOHO-HO:DLOL

Bowen Cai: BIIGGGGG! Thanks for being such an outgoing and welcoming big for our family! Your personality makes you so fun to always be around. Thanks for taking care of us littles, and for taking me to Stone all the time. :) Let's go to Juan in a Million again!

Brian Kim: Bro, you eat so much. Yet you're so skinny...I don't get it. Maybe it's because you're such a good dancer. Thanks for being such a great teacher at our KDC Dance Workshop! I hope you had as great a time as I did! Fiiiiiiiissshhhhhhvvvvv

Caroline Lee: Caroline bb <3 Thank you for gracing me with your smile through External and through JJSG. You're so smart and hardworking, you're going to do so amazingly wonderful in the future...don't leave me behind (aka walk slower pls)! Christine Chu: eWWWWWWWW-

WUUHHHH...<3

Eric Ma: Hahahahahaha Naruto Super Saiyan hair!!!!! You a cool dude, good luck with A!:)

Ginnie Ko: Medium! You're so derrrppppppp. You're so funny and cute hehehe, and I love hanging out with you. I'm glad to always see you at our family events and at McCombs late at nights. Let's have lots of fun together next semester too <3

Gordon Tsai: GORDON YOU'RE SO COOL! It's been a blast being your friend, through OU Weekend, social dance, etc. Also I'm older hehehhehhe >:D

Jackson Pei: You're a bullyyyyyyy!!!!: :'( Jany Xu: Jany, you're the best <3 Thank you soooo much for helping our team as we struggled through our first case comp! Also, it's so cool that we actually go way back LOL. I love you <3

Jason Guo: Sir, I think you are too obsessed with Kinsolving! But our deal works out, since that means I get to eat out more. I enjoy all our meals together (omg that hotpot....glorious), and I can't wait for more to come. You're such a giving and hardworking person, and I really admire that you put into helping others in ABSA. Thank you again for all the rides, food, and happy memories! (Neighbors!!!! Ahh!)

Jennifer Park: You are so sweet and adorable! It's a relief and joy seeing you on our late nights at McCombs. You work so hard on your grades and chemistry, you're going to amazing! I can't wait to make more memories with you, cutie!

Jennifer Yang: Jennifer, thank you for the class credit advice! TAMSters heheheheh :D Jessie Chan: Kawaii desu!

Johnny Vo: Monica!!!!!!!

John Song: John, your Instagram posts and captions are always so funny. You're always so funny to be around, so I look forward to seeing you more in late nights at McCombs! P.S. You're an A+ bowler.

Jonathan Ong: Oh my goodness, you make the most beautiful powerpoints. Please teach me your ways!!!!

Joseph Lee: Hahahaha bro, you're so funny. Your bromance with Alex is the funniest thing, and I enjoy hanging out with you. Your reactions are just so funny that I can't resist being a little mean to you, but that's ok, because those are the best kinds of friendships! We're both gonna get into BHP,

Josephine Lin: I'm really glad I met you at AACM Fall Retreat:) I can tell that you're an amazing SG leader and director, and I hope we get to know each other better this

Julia Hoang: Julia, you're so pretty and sweet! I just want to hug you every time I see you...can I? c:

Kevin Duong: Kevkev! At first, I thought you were this super sweet and needy dude that was into inspiring motivation articles and zen yoga. Obviously, you're still like that, but your hidden sass has been revealed. Anyways, we should definitely have more brown bags together, because I'm jealous of your relationship with Caroline hahaha. I hope your knee feels better!

**Kelvin Nguyen:** Your Pokemon story for your branch was seriously so sweet and thoughtful!

Kristy Liang: Kristy! I'm so glad I've gotten to know you through both social dance and ABSA (and even AACMapella hahaha). You're so awesome and cute! Thanks for taking good care of us littles, and teaching us two-step!

Krystina Diao: Lol Krusty...so our brown bag...speaking of brown things...HAH. Lisa Feng: You're super cute and sweet! Thanks for inviting me to Chase Oaks over hreak:)

Lucia Hua: Hello baking queen, you're a real life hipster Instagram tumblr foodie icon. Can I just be you <3

**Luther Fan:** Luther, how's your thesis coming along? I'm glad we can relate over Plan II together!!

Macy Huang: Cutie! It's admirable how hard you work! Let's definitely do more case comps together hehhehehe.

Maria Mai: I'm SO glad you cut your hair!! It looks AMAZINGGGG. Love it!!!!
Mickey Li: MICKEY MVPPPPP!! I'm really glad I got to know you better this year, especially during Winter Break and Kinsolv-

ing lunches. You're so smart and awesome! Nadia Khan: Hey Nadia! It's been great seeing you around at OG meetings and GMs! Let's hang out more this semester:) Nina Tanuwidjaja: Nina, you're so sweet and cute! I love your handwriting o m g. Such beaut handwriting.

Paul Nguyen: My FAV BIG! Just kidding, I can't create drama. Thanks for being such a supportive and awesome Big Sib. You've really made me feel welcome in the OG's and I love hanging out with you and talking to you (even though you're such a troll). OG's rock! Let's go out to eat more and more next semester too

Phillip Yoon: You da real MVP, seriously. Even though we started off badly (I'm sorry!!! I really was intimidated by you too ok), I'm glad that we've become friends now. You are such a good person to everyone around you, and it's truly inspiring (although worrying), that you stay up so late and work so hard all the time. Take it easy, friend!!

Robert Ma: Thanks for helping our case comp team with our financial struggles! You're super cool:)

Russell Kan: Russell you're my fav. Sangbin Kwon: Binbin, you're such a Korean hahahahaha. You have a lot of swag. Thanks for being such a great dancer and teacher for our KDC Workshop! Sangyop Kwon: Yopyop! You're such a

hardworking and dedicated person and you put your best effort into everything that you do, and I really admire that. I'm really glad to have gotten to know you through External and all our long long late nights at McCombs. I can't wait to have more deep conversations and dumb moments together! Sabeeha Islam: Sabeeha, thanks for all the great guidance through recruiting and PR shenanigans! <3 You're an amazing, kind and sweet person!<3

Sean Lin: Hi Seaaannn!! Let's hang out! Stephen Zhu: Stephen, you're so cool. I really enjoyed getting to know you through our brown bag, and

our brown bag, and
Steven Yen: You're really funny and I

always find myself laughing around you! I think you could join Alex and Joseph's impenetrable bromance easily! Trail of Lights was supah fun together, let's hang out some more! Also, thank you for the bEAUTIFUL VIDEOS.

**Sylvia Yang:** My lover....jk get out saliva roma is mine. <3 Nvm I love you please take me back </3

Taehoon Kim: Uhhh....eh. c:

**Tiffany Weng:** My sweet, lovely, wonderful co <3 Thank you so much for being so proactive with PR! I'm seriously so so glad to have you with me in External, and I couldn't imagine doing it with anyone else. You're so amazingly kind and smart and beautiful. TOO CUTE TOO CUTE <3 <3 <3

Tessie La: Tessie, you're such a great Big! Thank you so much for being these for us littles, and for gong to Stone with us. Also, I seriously love your Jeep, even though I know it's bad for gas and all. Anyways, you're super cool, and I'm really glad to have gotten to know you this year!

**Veronica Sun:** You're adorable. That is

**Vivian Wang:** Vivian, you are so adorable! You're like this super sweet tiny little marshmallow and I just wanna squish you <3 your hair looks really good down! Love it!

### Jenney Ling:

Alexander Au: \*pets wolf\* It's so fluffy!!!
I'm going to die! xD

**Amanda Shang:** A duck walked up to a lemonade stand, and he said to the man runnin' the stand, "Hey... got any grapes?" (:

Amy Xin: Hello! :D
Annie Truong: I miss you! </3
Audra Fields: Hi~! :D \*hug\*

Brian Liew: I don't see you around much

anymore. Hope all is well!

Chris Wong: Chrissy Chris~ One more

semester to go! **Dan Lubis:** That was the most beautiful story ever that you told at Secret Santa gift

exchange. (':

Daniel Chen: Hi, Daniel! Hope your

birthday was filled with lots of happiness and cake!

Enoch Tsai: Eggnog. :P

**Eric Allen:** I'm looking forward to seeing you at more events this semester!

Femi Barin: Femi! Congrats on graduation! Thanks for the Christmas card! Remember, you're always welcome to come to family events! :D

Grace Liu: Hi, Gracie Grace~! (:

Hoai Truong: I'm curious as to what you'll change your last name to next on Facebook. Ima Linzag: You're such an amazing individual: smart, pretty and kind with a beautiful voice and awesome baking skills! You must send me your bread pudding recipe! Isoken Omoruyi: If you somehow ever get

**Isoken Omoruyi:** If you somehow ever get to read this, I just want to say that I miss you very much, big!

**Jackson Pei:** Hi, Mr. Prez! Keep up the good work!

Jason Guo: Ohana welcomes you with open arms!

Jeannette Tang: Thanks for always being so sweet and giving such nice hugs.

Jeffrey Toobi: We are super excited to have you come to events during the spring

**Jimmy Nguyen:** You need your own theme song that plays everywhere you go.

Julia Hoang: Hi, Julia! Hope your break was super fun!

Kelvin Nguyen: Hello! (:

semester!

**Lisa Liu:** You are quite the storyteller! **Macy Huang:** Hi! Thank you for being so sweet and opening the door that time I randomly stopped by. (:

Maria Mai: Hi, Maria! Your enthusiasm is infectious!

Michael Bolls: Have fun studying abroad!
Take lots of pics and don't forget about your

Ohana! <3

Nikki Liu: Hey, twinnie! Miss you! OHANA: Cheers to a new year and the start of another wonderful semester! <3

**Quan Nguyen:** Stay and co-big with Regan and me next year!

**Regan Wang:** ...still waiting for you to play Sing! with me. D:<

**Sabeeha Islam:** 25 words cannot encapsulate how awesome you are.

Sean Lin: A helicopter goes "pbbbbbbbbbbtttt!"

Taylor Webb: The first time I met you, you played basketball and volleyball and wanted to play ping pong. All I could think was "what!"

Tiffany Nguyen: You went skydiving???

How are you so fearless? Vamsee Ravella: \*poke\*

Vivian Wang: Hi there! ^////^

