Welcome Back!
Michael Lee

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we're busy, but if you’re an engineer and not busy, I personally believe you’re doing it wrong. 

Wow, I feel bad for leaving this tiny little paragraph at the end. I guess the point of this article is to welcome you back to school and I hope you feel sufficiently welcome. Brace yourselves for another semester, this year's going to be a dozy! GO BLUE!

Meet your Fall ’09 semester officers!

**President:** Katy Kneiser  
**Vice President:** Jill Schlechtweg  
**Secretary:** Rob Warren  
**Treasurer:** Deokkyun (Dan) Yoon  
**Career Fair/Honors Brunch Co Chairs:** Kevin Lance and Andy Boucher  
**Website Chair:** Allen Chang  
**New Initiatives Chair:** Alex Kiturkes  
**Corporate Relations Chair:** Ramsey Hilton  
**Service Projects Chair:** Jessica Wang  
**Tutoring Chair:** Robert Steen  
**Activities Chair:** Jessie Carr  
**Intersociety Chair:** Rob Guglielmo  
**Diversity & Leadership Chair:** Michelle Noronham  
**Grad Coordinator:** Anne Campbell  
**Publicity Chairs:** Michael Lee and Kristina Roe

Actives are entirely welcome to come to office hours and talk with the TBP officers. Check the website for this semester’s office hour schedule.

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**HOW TO SCAM PEOPLE:**

In these five easy steps, you too can scam your friends and neighbors!

**Step one:** Find your target

**Step two:** Put up advertisements in this newsletter

**Step three:** Make outrageous claims

**Step four:** Write for the TBP Cornerstone (and email said article to)

**Step five:** Rinse and repeat
Poet’s Place

I don’t need no stinkin’ Haiku Corner

MICHAEL LEE

Yes, that is correct,
I just called you all out;
So for the Haiku lover’s out there,
That’s not what I’m all about.

Sure my rhyme and meter,
May be a bit wacky;
But when it comes right down to it,
At least it’s not that tacky.

Well my time is short,
And my patience too,
If haikus are what you want to see,
I leave it up to you!

Peace to the nexus ya’ll...

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Are you stressed out already, TBP?

Even though it’s the beginning of the semester, you may be feeling under pressure! Syllabus-galore, scheduling issues and the inability to adjust to a “normal” sleeping schedule may be wrecking havoc in your life right now.

At ease my fellow Tau Bates! We can be glad we live in A2 and that we don’t live in one of the 10 most stressful cities in the U.S., which are as follows from Forbes:

1. Chicago, IL
2. Los Angeles, CA
3. New York, NY
4. Cleveland, OH
5. Providence, RI
6. San Francisco, CA
7. Detroit, MI
8. Boston, MA
9. Washington DC
10. San Jose, CA

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Word of the Day

Word
Noisome

How to say it
NOY-sum

Definition
Noxious; harmful; unwholesome. Offensive to the smell or other senses; disgusting.

Can I have that in a sentence?
The body politic produces noisome and unseemly substances, among which are politicians.

-- P. J. O'Rourke, "No Apparent Motive", The Atlantic, November 2002
tRoell of the Week:

“Halo (All I Play-Oh)” a parody of “Snow ((Hey Oh))” by Red Hot Chili Peppers documents the highs and lows of being “freakin’ awesome” with your friends and then failing at online Slayer. [http://www.entertainment.com/clips/xqqvzntbjs--Halo-All-I-Play-Oh](http://www.entertainment.com/clips/xqqvzntbjs--Halo-All-I-Play-Oh)

Selected lyrics for your reading pleasure:

Come to decide other games that I tried
Were not enough to waste my time on
I don’t really see why you’d play C O D
And Fallout 3 felt so contrived
Don’t understand why you’d play Rock Band
Cause there’s just one game that I get high on
Play it all the time, it’s gaming redefined
Copied it to my hard drive

Halo, this is all I play oh
I got my Halo
This is all I play oh

ZOMG SUDOKU TIM3!!1!

YouTube Video of the Week:

YouTube has united procrastinators for years now, and we feel it is our duty to keep them coming for you, TBP. This week’s feature involves an adorable puppy unable to completely roll all the way over. The first few seconds invoke many “Awww”s but you begin to wonder… is that dog still flailing at this very moment?