# **BETA-XI OF KAPPA SIGMA - UC BERKELEY** Beta-XI is Back at Cal! Chartering Weekend Recap

The 2012-2013 academic year concluded with the rechartering of our Beta-Xi chapter at UC Berkeley. On Saturday April 13th, after a yearlong collaborative process between students and alumni, the 51 pledges of the Beta-Xi colony were formally initiated into the Kappa Sigma Fraternity. Thirty-five alumni and brothers from surrounding chapters volunteered their time and ritual mastery for a lengthy day of initiation ceremonies. Initiating the pledges of the Beta-Xi colony was a necessary step in the Kappa Sigma chapter installment process.

Following the initiation ceremonies, the Beta-Xi Chapter celebrated its re-installation into the brotherhood with a night of cocktails, delicious cuisine and fraternal company. The Kappa Sigma Housing Corporation and newly initiated brothers of the Beta-Xi chapter hosted the Supreme Executive Committee, headquarters staff, volunteers, and alumni at HS Lordships restaurant in the Berkeley Marina. It was during the banquet that the Beta-Xi Chapter officially received its Kappa Sigma charter, framed and signed. Worthy Grand Master, Christian Nascimento, together with the Supreme Executive Committee, applauded the newly initiated brothers of Beta-Xi Chapter for their vision and hard work. Joy Goel, Beta-Xi Grand Master, thanked the brotherhood for its generous support in making the chapter's return possible. In attendance was the Kappa Sigma Supreme Executive Committee, 50 brothers of Beta-Xi chapter, and 23 alumni from the surrounding Bay Area.

The weekend provided memories that will last a lifetime for all the brothers, and we hope that as the chapter and brotherhood matures we can use this event as a shining example of the large benefits to continued alumni outreach and interaction.





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### Undergraduate Report

I could not be more excited to be moving into the house this semester to start a new phase for the Beta-Xi Chapter. When presented with the opportunity to re-charter the chapter, I was immediately sold. It has been an amazing honor to serve as Grand Master for this group of gentlemen. Every step of this journey has presented us with a variety of challenges, but together, we have persevered.

I have made more friends and brothers in this process than I thought possible. Being a founding father of the Beta-Xi Chapter of Kappa Sigma is and will be one of the greatest achievements of not just my college career, but also my life. We have a phenomenal chapter and I am confident that we are going to represent Kappa Sigma well on Berkeley's campus.

We spent the majority of the 2012-2013 school year recruiting and building the base for the chapter. We enjoyed many brotherhood events that brought us together and aligned our interests as a chapter. This year we want to focus on building our relationship with our alumni and reestablishing our presence on campus.

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Joy K. Goel '13 Grand Master

### <u>Join Us On Facebook</u>



Beta-Xi Chapter is up on Facebook. Be sure to like our group so you can get the most up-to-date information about what's taking place with the chapter as well as event information and photos from both the actives and alumni.

The link for our page is: www.facebook.com/UCBKappaSigma

The more brothers who like the group, the more useful it becomes as a central point of communication for the whole Beta-Xi network, so we hope that you will join us!



## Glimpses of the Past



The original Kappa Sigma house at UC Berkeley in 1927, located where the Haas School of Business currently stands.



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The Brothers of Beta-Xi chapter during a social exchange with the ladies of  $AX\Omega$  c. 1978



The gentlemen of Kappa Sigma c. 1943





A classic prank

Brothers breaking bread



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### Volunteers Needed

### Help Us Solidify The Foundation For Our New Chapter

In order to ensure that our new group of actives is able to meet its goals and truly thrive, we need an active and supportive alumni group. We understand and appreciate how busy life can get, so the time commitment that we are asking for is minimal. We have professional management in place to take care of the day-to-day operation of the chapter house and help us with our alumni relations program. So your involvement would be mainly be focused on high-level decision making and interacting with the current members. Even a small amount of time can have a significant impact on our chapter's success. There are a number of different areas where your efforts can be utilized based on your interests.

- Alumni Communications and Outreach
- Alumni Event Planning
- Chapter House Capital Improvements
- Chapter Officer Advising

If you are interested in learning more about how you can help please email us at Beta-Xi@CalKappaSigma.org.

With your help we can make sure all current and future Cal Kappa Sigs are able to have as memorable and enjoyable fraternal experience as we did!



