Dear SWE Members,

I’m so excited to be your president for the 2013-14 school year. I have been involved with SWE since my freshman year of college, and it has been one of the greatest experiences I have had at Berkeley. My time spent with SWE has been a very significant influence in shaping my life and making me the person I am today.

SWE is an extraordinary organization, full of opportunities to be had and friends to be made. Whether you join because you want to meet more engineers and socialize or to share your love of engineering with the younger generation or are looking to brush up on your networking skills, there is something in SWE for all of us. I promise if there is something you want to do, we can find a way to achieve your dream.

For those of you who are new to our organization, I sincerely hope your experiences here will be just as enjoyable as mine. For those of you who are returning, I would just like to say welcome back, and I’m glad to see that you have found something compelling enough in SWE to return. I know this is going to be a great year, and I can’t wait to share all of my experiences with you! I hope to see you around at our events, and I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,
Amy Zhang

Meet the Officers

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Amy Zhang

VP of Corporate Relations
Paroma Varma

Vice President
Amy Tsai

Secretary
Mara Minner

VP of Outreach
Denise Doan

Treasurer
Lauren Farrell
many people who were excited about our future semester with SWE. We even had time to mingle, play Frisbee and even take some photos! It was great to take a break from all of this new homework and assignments and have fun with SWE! :)

10 Nearby Places to Visit/Things to Do: By Heather Hughes

1.) Swim at the Strawberry Canyon Pool
2.) Kayak at the Berkeley Marina
3.) Have a picnic in Tilden Park
4.) Go on a date in the Berkeley Rose Garden
5.) Summit Grizzly Peak at sunset
6.) Feast and shop at the SF Ferry Building Marketplace Saturday Farmer’s Market
7.) Spend a day at the Academy of Sciences in SF
8.) Attend a Giant’s baseball game
9.) Choose a random event to attend from the UC Berkeley Online Events Calendar
10.) Make friends and achieve academic/career/life success by attending SWE events!

Cookies, milk, and new friends - what could be better? I had a great time last week decorating and eating many cookies (perhaps a few too many) and meeting some of our new members. It was cool to hear about how everyone spent their summers and some valuable advice was shared regarding summer internships and experiences. Hopefully during the holidays we can do another cookie event but raise the stakes a little and turn it into a competition.

Have you ever wondered what the best way to relax at the campus is? - Well, we have the answer for you. Last Friday SWE hosted an amazing picnic at Memorial Glade. It was warm, sunny, an awesome to see all of you! It was nice chatting with so many people who were excited about our future semester with SWE. We even had time to mingle, play Frisbee and even take some photos! It was great to take a break from all of this new homework and assignments and have fun with SWE! :)

Memorial Glade Picnic
By Aleksandrina Stoyanova
Incoming Students Social

Hope you all enjoyed our first Social Event for the semester! :) There were ice-cream, SWEets and awesome new people to meet and talk with! See you in our future events!

SPARK Info Session

Join SPARK Apprenticeship Program and become a mentor for 8-10 weeks. You’ll host a middle school student who dreams of working in your profession. In that time, you’ll teach them about what you do, inspire their curiosity, and help them fulfill their dreams. For more info visit: http://www.sparkprogram.org/index.php/get_involved/volunteer

If you want to be mentor apply here: http://www.sparkprogram.org/index.php/get_involved/volunteer-application

These is the testimony of Denise Doan who was mentor last year:
“I Denise had the pleasure of working with Tahoura (last years vp of outreach) and ttynin (fellow outreach committee member) as a team mentor for Frick Middle School’s Lupe and Jennifer. We had so much fun every week and got to watch these young ladies learn and grow in such a short time! The girls not only got exposure to different science and engineering concepts and challenges, but also gained confidence and genuinely enjoyed learning about the UC campus and science and engineering, and about future opportunities of higher education. Overall, this was a two thumbs up!”
Public relations
Aleksandrina (Allie) Stoyanova
&
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Jackie Ko

Outreach - JSSC
Ilakya Palanisamy

Student Advisor
Tasha Hodgson

Happy new semester! Hope to see you around in our upcoming events!

CALENDAR

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** For times, location, and up to date information on future events, please visit swe.berkeley.edu/calendar or our Facebook page.