



# The Golden Scholar

Kaplan University Chapter of the Golden Key International Honour Society

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## From Your Chapter Leaders

Hello KUGKHS members and Happy August!

First, we would like to give our thanks to all our members who contribute and help produce the monthly issues, please enjoy this month's edition of *The Golden Scholar*!

Inside this issue you will find highlights of our New Member Recognition Event, and International Summit in Boston, and much more. We also wanted to provide our warm reflections and share our deep condolences for a beloved comedian Robin Williams and the many years of laughter he has provided and touched our lives.

We also would like to thank all of the members, the advisors and Golden Key representatives who participated, helped develop and create such a wonderful ceremony for our new members at the New Member Recognition Event. We welcome all the new members of Golden Key International Honor Society and congratulate all of you on your achievement of becoming a member and thank you all for a successful night!

We also would like to give our thanks to all the Golden Key staff and volunteers at the International Summit, Boston for a great and wonderful experience. The event brought the best together to work in harmony and help build a better organization through its chapters giving support and educating each chapter furthering their progression to reach its full potential as a group and for each individual member.

Best Regards,

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**Remembering  
The  
American Icon**

**Comic Genius**

**Beloved Father**

**Supporter of our Troops**

**Academy Award Actor**

Robin Williams  
1951-2014

(all pictures found on Google, 2014)



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*Congratulations on becoming a member of Golden Key International Honour Society!*

## **New Member Recognition Event (NMRE) Highlights** by Beatriz Alfaro

Hello KUGKHS members! Thanks to all our contributors who worked hard to produce the monthly issues, please enjoy this month's edition of *The Golden Scholar*!

Congratulations and welcome to all our new members and honorary members! It was great to see the outstanding participation by members to help make our event successful! This month we are happy to recognize 85 Graduates, 214 (combined) Junior/Seniors, 10 Sophomores as new members and 2 Honorary Members: Dr. Kevin Cojanu and Dr. Martin McDermott. Our honorary members provided the key note speeches for our event and gave wonderful and memorable speeches. Dr. Kevin Cojanu, was deeply honored and pointed out that "an organization like Golden Key especially this Kaplan chapter provides great opportunities to the vast age groups," that make up Kaplan students and it is this great opportunity that provides all ages the opportunity to network amongst such great leaders and motivators and "grow your communities with excellent guidelines. Both Dr. McDermott and I have worked hard to also help provide opportunities to the Kaplan students through the internships of Kaplan Radio and KapConsulting where students of all ages are given the opportunity to grow and experience real life situations to take with them into their careers."

Dr. Martin McDermott was especially honored and touched the heart of the attendees when he told us of his conversation with his father, who suffers from Parkinson's disease, as he told him of his honorary induction to Golden Key and the "great smile" he had for his son with great pride for receiving the same award as President Ronald Regan. Dr. McDermott went on to give his experience in learning lessons of 'listening more, learning more and fearing less'. "When you listen more you absorb and reflect on the information given, then you can offer your input to the need you find you can meet. Be a life long learner and

### **2014 KUGKHS Chapter Contact Information**

- ◆ **John R. McIntyre:** President
- ◆ **Ruth Crousore:** Vice President
- ◆ **Amanda Calloway:** Secretary
- ◆ **Marina McKenna:** Treasurer/Finance Chair
- ◆ **Beatriz Alfaro:** Editor-in-Chief of *The Golden Scholar Newsletter* & Elections Committee Member
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## New Member Recognition Event (NMRE) Highlights

grow through curiosity and reading. You are always learning through others as they touch your life as well as through your academic achievements but never stop learning. Fear less by going outside your comfort zone!" You never know what experiences or opportunities you find when you challenge yourself to go beyond what is safe. Wonderful lessons from our two honorary members! Thank you!

Our semi-annual NMRE not only recognizes the achievements of our new members and honorary members but it brings all of members together to bring to fruition Golden Key's mission in helping all members unlock their potential and support them along every step of their journey towards success, on campus and beyond. During NMRE events you learn how to become more involved with Golden Key and gain the knowledge of the benefits of being a member but what is most important is that each member is part of something bigger. This year our chapter plans on several service opportunities that connect with Golden Key's new initiative: 'Spark a Change'. We plan on holding fundraisers, book drives, volunteering in local schools. We also plan on heading up our own 'Stomp-Out Bullying!' campaign, collaborations with other chapters and regions, as well as other organizations to help expand and make service opportunities available to all members. More details to come with in the next couple of months.

## Important Links/ Information

- **The Group Interactive Network or (GIN):**  
<https://www.theginsystem.com/gkkaplan>
- **KU Chapter Facebook Page:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/KUGKHS>
- **Golden Key Society Facebook Page:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/goldenkey>
- **Golden Key Official Website: (GK store/ certificates/ scholarships/ general information)**  
<https://www.goldenkey.org/>
- **KU Chapter email: (Officers/ Newsletter)**  
[kugkhs@gmail.com](mailto:kugkhs@gmail.com)

Golden Key offers several member only tools online to help you get involved with the Society and network with members and alumni. Through the strong relationships with Golden Key's partners, discounts on technology, textbooks, insurance, prep courses and more are available exclusively to Golden Key members.

By being actively involved with the chapter, members gain leadership skills and volunteer training that betters the local and global community but also give the added benefit of being eligible to attend Regional and International Summits as well as .apply for society and chapter scholarships.



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## New Members Recognized at NMRE

### Graduate

Michel Bertrand  
Natalie Flores  
Robert Specht  
Nina Hayes  
Jenna Stephen  
Laquisa McGlothon  
Ursula Uhrin  
Hope Joiner  
Opal Grey  
Shawn'ta Kelly  
Donna Scott  
Brandy Pockrus  
Mary Ortega  
Elizabeth Benally  
Cassandra Thomas  
Charlene Clark  
Stacie Hansen  
Lisa Ashley  
Damarcus Davis  
Jacquelyn Wilson  
Brandi Smith  
Lessly Newell  
Michael Regan  
Kelly McPike  
Kenneth Rogers, Jr.  
Kathy Grace  
Adjimah Young  
John Straka  
Christine Hollander  
Bryan Bartholomew  
Dawn Tucker  
Brittany Nelson  
Merlyn Vasquez  
Sandra Otero  
Christine Edillon  
JoeEtta Rounds  
Earl Ploche, Jr.  
John Eckels

Michel Monal  
Dustin Klinger  
Heather Bennett  
Jennifer Paneck  
Belinda Wolfe  
Amanda Owens  
Joseph Branch  
Susan Smith  
Anna Peterson  
Jaryd Boisvert  
Bonny York  
Anthony Brown  
Nicole Stephenson  
Angela Gray  
Kellie Murphy  
Christian Juarez  
Thomas Harless  
Willow Nielson  
James Seaman  
Amy Martindale  
Neal Walker  
Rebecca Sample  
Christine Martinez  
Leslie Clements  
Teresa Cottrill  
Hannah Jenkins  
Lewis Martin  
Malisa Moller-Ojeda  
Ashley Gilbert  
Shelly Murney  
Amanda Jones  
Valencia Payne  
Malgorzata Jankowski  
Carissa Pangelinan  
Tina Hunter  
Gina Bishop  
Stefanee Bunn  
Brittany Anselmo  
Jennifer Dasana  
Adrien Shields

Jennifer Lyles  
Erin Brown   Joined  
Careen Campbell  
Jeffrey Knier  
Amy Belanger  
Pamela Roach  
Melissa Richmond

### Junior/Senior

Marjorie Humble  
Natashia Watson  
Meghan Harper  
John Sherman  
Maryam Fakourfar  
Sallie Hogue  
Angela Suits  
Kristi Bacon  
Kenneth Boden  
William Tuttle  
Darren Norfleet  
Jonelle Newman-  
Ferdinand  
Kimberly Jenkins  
Amanda Allen  
Dale Henderson  
William Carrasquillo  
Kimberly Riley  
Michelle Jarvis  
Francheska Bermudez-  
Cruz  
Thomas Quayle  
Michelle Verdier  
Roberta Anderson  
Jessica Frakes  
Theresa Land  
Audrey Palacios  
Violet Iverson  
Jennifer Rohlf's  
Brittany Henry

Carol Bury Joslin  
Daffodil Brown  
Rachelle Richardson  
Theresa Dixon  
Pamela Smith  
Shannon Chatterton  
Jaime Meeker  
Jonathan Wright  
Tanner Morley  
Kathleen Ray  
Ana Luna  
Janeka Owen  
Andreia Evans  
Stacey Matlock  
Toni Remillard  
Rebekah Parsons  
Shellie Spitzley  
Tina Simpson  
Marilyn Tontini  
Meagan Hardison  
Izehiuan Ideho  
Heather Schick  
Adenda Rojas  
Simone Johanson-Byrd  
Elise Padilla Lopez  
Rosemary Whitney  
Michael Bryson  
Tanisha Kirton  
Johanna Nettles  
Stephen Kowalski  
Joylove Felder  
Jesse Weyer  
Anthony Pint.  
Kristopher Smith  
Mark Lyman  
Mitzie Kinsella  
Jessica Stotler  
Tonya Garrett  
Andrea Haney  
Mary Goudia



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## New Members Recognized at NMRE (cont.)

### Junior/Senior

John McIntyre  
Lindsey Shroyer  
Jessica Crum  
Heidi Loetterle  
Zachary Snyder  
Sarah Ellixson  
Deborah Johnson  
Mark Klineciewicz  
Deanna Halliday  
Marcus Royce  
Megan Cross  
Bozena Padlo  
Jenna Honneffer  
Juanita Davis  
Ina Emery  
Yahalla Wheeler  
Andres Abreu  
Jill Weideman  
Dawn Hayes  
Ruthie McKee  
Matthew James  
Baine Childers  
Carolina Paez  
Melanie Rehman  
Alicia Clarke  
Candy Bredwell  
Christopher Smith  
Barbara Fountain  
Bernice Cobbs  
Renee Semo  
Sheila Klug  
April Johnson  
LaHelena Taylor  
Jessica Rios  
Robert Epley  
Cathi Polzin  
Matthew Prince  
Reena Saj

Nathan Anderson  
Jayva Perrin  
Margaret Martin  
Adrienne Kegler  
Richard Reynolds  
Carol Lyons  
Melonie Johnson  
Christina Cross  
Anne Danen  
Jodi Herdt  
Darla Johnston  
Lydia Seibert  
Juanita Swan  
Joanne Carney  
Dzung Nguyen Khac  
Brian Vinson  
Adam Fisher.  
Marty Hatfield  
Lolita Whiteside  
Robert Somers  
Melissa Klarczyk  
Alicia Avila  
Holly Spoonley  
Melissa Burditt  
Cynthia Joseph  
Jeremiah Whiting  
Kasee Allred  
Kristin Mailloux  
Davina Houston  
Bonnie Strobridge  
Melanie Perry  
Krishna Flanders  
Eva Correale  
Matthew Morrow  
Taylor Moore  
Nichole Bond  
Sadaf Lakhani  
Rekha Aryal  
Stephanie Triesh  
Monica Oller  
Charles Fields

James Webb  
Miranda Durham  
Stephanie Knox  
Ines Tavarez  
Clavenda Oluwo  
Sarah Bower  
Angela Norwood  
Reneta Carter  
Tabitha Bryan  
Jessica Chandler  
Tony Holowaty  
Robert Tier  
Caleb McNutt  
Tammie Walker  
Whitney Vollmar  
Tiffany Lister  
Anthony Schoepp  
Matthew Nagel  
Rachelle Dement  
Lisa Nemitz  
Barbara Arnold  
Nichole Reece  
Cherana Warren  
Angela Tetschner  
Laura Hudson  
Troy Baillargeon  
Tammy Sweet-Chisam  
Penelope Viland  
Jessica Chaney  
Brittini Rose  
Lindsey Leishman  
Kristina King  
Dina Shaw  
Elizabeth Stafford  
Diana Trowell  
Danielle Schroeder  
Stefanie Surman  
Amy Milburn  
Jeremy Foss  
Troy Wright  
Kristen Klima

Benhor Dimalibot  
Cutressa Williams  
Tiffany Meyer  
Kimberly Christlieb  
Keith Ewers  
Sharee Kessler  
Nicole Juarez  
Morgan Zimmerman  
Jacqueline Birrenbach  
Gloria Miro  
Veronica Berlinski  
Christine Jones  
Amanda Glenney  
Tiffany Santiago  
Kelly Lavin  
Kristi Wilkerson  
Desiree Wright  
Niel Keller  
Mary Adams  
Lisa Colbert  
Dennis Fisher  
Valerie Bowman  
Jamie Campbell  
Ebony Ekeji  
Rachel Knolls  
Elizabeth Trewhella  
Jonathan Forbs

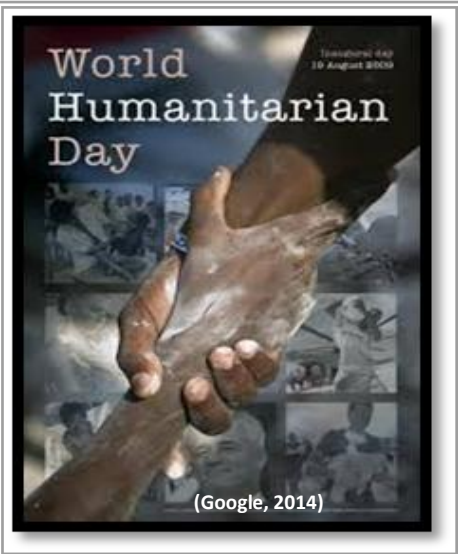
### Sophomore

Stephanie Foster  
Suzzanna Hernandez  
Elreathia Lampley-  
Neal  
Caren Calzado  
Sonya Longley  
Jennifer Wingard  
Tracey-Lee Fregolle  
Eric Smith  
Michael Murray



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## World Humanitarian Day by Rickie Zarb

“Every year on August 19th we mark World Humanitarian Day in honor of aid workers, who have lost their lives in the line of duty. We commemorate their sacrifice and reaffirm our commitment to the lifesaving work that humanitarians carry out around the world every day, often in difficult and dangerous circumstances, where others cannot or do not want to go.” (*World Humanitarian Day*, 2014).

In 2012 65 million people received humanitarian assistance with \$5.5 billion humanitarian funding from the US. Turkey was the fourth largest non-OECD DAC government donor of international humanitarian aide. Hurricane Sandy was the 2012 most expensive disaster. Conflict and persecution displaced 45.2 million people by the end of 2012 forcing them to leave their homes for safety. (*Data and Trends*, 2014).

Financing for humanitarian assistance is made through a Central Emergency Response Fund of which multiple countries contribute. Through this fund the humanitarian response providers have greater effectiveness in the access of the funds. A variety of programs are set up by the United Nations to provide assistance in the form of food to those who are starving, or provide camps for those displaced from their homes. The World Health Organization, Unicef, Save the Children, World Food Programs, are just a few of these programs. (*Workstream*, 2014) and (*Humanitarian*, 2014).

World Humanitarian Day was established so that we are more aware of humanitarian assistance worldwide and what is being done internationally.



(Google, 2013)

## Keep the Wit Burning by Beatriz Alfaro

I return now to a new chapter in my life as I continue my education and earn my Masters Degree. I know my journey thus far has been of great discovery and I look forward at what is to come. I embrace the new challenges before me and know that I have the support and the encouragement from family to build the strength and endurance to push through the hard nights and days ahead. I thank them today for being there for me and for what tomorrow brings; for being the rock that centers me; for being the calm of the future storms; for the encouraging words when I feel deflated; for just showing me that I can accomplish anything; and for just being there. Remember to thank those who help you get through school, tuff times, and any challenges that you have faced, because these people are what have help make you become the person of today and the great person of tomorrow.



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(Google, 2013)

## Sheldon's Wisdom Topic: Benefits of Volunteering and Service Projects

Hello fellow KUGKHS members,

As summer ends and the new school term begins, we might find ourselves wrapped up in class work, busy schedules, work and our children's busy schedules as well. It is hard to think of having the time to participate in extra activities such as Golden Key Service Projects. But let me explain what finding a little time in your busy schedule can not only benefit others but as well.

Golden Key's Mission is "To enable members to realize their potential through the advancements of academics, leadership and service." Our 3 pillars that are inextricably linked together and

"giving back is a core value of Golden Key. Chapters organize service activities that benefit local and international communities. The service project range from educational projects to community outreach event, and individual members contribute numerous hours to similar causes each year. The goal is to have a positive impact on local neighborhoods and society as a whole." (Goldenkey.org, n.d.). As a member of Golden Key we are asked to "Step up. Stand out. Make a difference. Make the world a better place. Serve your country. Give of yourself. Stand up for what you believe in. Inspire others. Make an impact." (Goldenkey.org, n.d.). A small gesture, a small contribution of your time can help impact others in a positive way so they to can do the same and impact more people, but it always begins with the one to bring others to come together.

Have you ever thought: I wish my neighborhood had a program to help your children out of the class room? or I wish my city offered free after school activities? These are some service projects that Golden Key and its chapters work hard to get much support from our chapter members.

Each golden key chapter strives at the local level for each of their members to offer their services to their local community schools, by volunteering their time to tutor children in reading, math or other subjects they feel comfortable with. Members not only give of themselves but also help a child realize their full potential to succeed in life and learn how they to can give to others. At Churches that you may be a member of or your city may have food banks that you can also volunteer some time and help box or bag the food, donate supplies to or find other ways to help, such as serve in their soup kitchens.

Nation wide there are many charities and organizations that you can volunteer at or donate to, such as the American Red Cross, YMCA, Veteran's Association Hospitals, Big Brother/Big Sister programs, The United Way and much more. But what are the benefits you might ask? Well the match of volunteering for you can help you find new friends, reach out to the community, learn new skills, and even advance your career. "It is also one way to protect your mental and physical health". (HelpfulGuide.org, n.d.).

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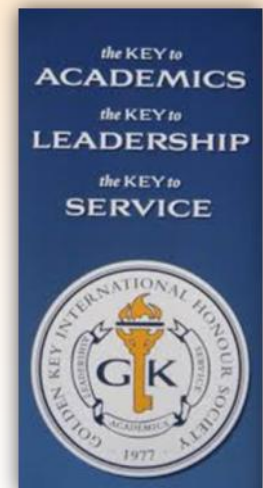
By dedicating time as a volunteer you help to expand your network and boost your social skills. You will meet new people, especially in your local area which will strengthen your tie to the community and broaden your support network by exposing yourself to people with common interest, neighborhood resources and fun and fulfilling activities. (HelpfulGuide.org, n.d.). One other great benefit is that you can also volunteer as a family. "You will have a richer and more enjoyable volunteering experience if you first take some time to identify your goals and interests. Start by thinking about why you want to volunteer. Also think about what you would enjoy doing. Volunteer opportunities that match both your goals and your interests are most likely to be fun and fulfilling for you." (HelpfulGuide.org, n.d.).

## Getting the most out of volunteering

"You're donating your valuable time, so it's important that you enjoy and benefit from your volunteering. It's important to make sure that your volunteer position is a good fit and to communicate with the people you're working with in the volunteer organization.

- **Ask questions.** You want to make sure that the experience is right for your skills, your goals, and the time you want to spend. If you have any questions, be sure to speak up. Sample questions to your volunteer coordinator might address your time commitment, if there's any training involved, who you will be working with, and what to do if you have questions during your experience.
- **Make sure you know what's expected.** Before starting, make sure you are comfortable with the organization, know what is expected, and understand the time commitment. Consider starting small so that you don't over commit yourself at first. Give yourself some flexibility to change your focus if needed.
- **Don't be afraid to make a change.** Speak up if your experience isn't what you expected. Don't force yourself into a bad fit. Talk to the organization about changing your focus or consider looking for another match.
- **Enjoy yourself.** Most importantly, make sure you're having fun! The best volunteer experiences benefit both the volunteer and the organization. If you're not enjoying yourself, ask yourself why. Is it the tasks you're performing? The people you're working with? Or are you uncomfortable simply because the situation is new and unfamiliar? Pinpointing what's bothering you can help you decide how to proceed." (HelpfulGuide.org, n.d.).

**Volunteer opportunities:** As mentioned earlier, volunteer opportunities can be found in your local communities, after-school programs, places of worship, or etc. Kaplan Chapter of Golden Key has numerous opportunities this year for you to choose from. Keep a close watch on future announcements in the next month.



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There are many ways for people and their families to have fun during the summer with our sending a lot of money. I know my family and I love to spend time with one another but some time we just don't have a lot of money to do a lot of expensive activities. I have found some activities that people can do on a small budget.

A really cool activity to do with family or friends is to set up a scavenger hunt. You can see who found the most items on

their list and even tell about how they found the items. It also help you and the people you play with learn about you're the place the scavenger hunt takes place (Collins). Another great activity is to go to a free or in-expensive museum where you and your family or friends can enlighten your selves (King, 2014). I know in my city we even have free concerts in the parks. Going on a hike or a nature walk can be very exciting when take pictures and learn about some of the interesting animals you had seen (101 FREE THINGS to DO - How to Have FAMILY FUN on a Tight Budget!, 2011). A great activity is to do some community services. It helps your to feel like you did some good and you get a great feeling from it (King, 2014).

These activities are a great way to have fun and even get some enlightening. These activities can be done with family or friends and a few you can do by yourself. These activates are great if you are on a budget this summer. Here to wishing you're a fun and safe summer.

## Did you Know in this Month in History-August... By Beatriz Alfaro

The interesting things that happened this month in history can be found on the History Place website:

**August 3, 1492**—Christopher Columbus set sail from Palos, Spain with three ships *Nina*, *Pinta* and *Santa Maria*. Seeking a westerly route to the Far East, he instead landed on October 12th in the Bahamas, thinking it was an outlying Japanese island.

**August 15, 1969**—Woodstock began in a field near Yasgur's Farm at Bethel, New York. The three-day concert featured 24 rock bands and drew a crowd of more than 300,000 young people. The event came to symbolize the counter-culture movement of the 1960's.

**August 21, 1959**—President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a proclamation admitting Hawaii to the Union as the 50th state.

**August 29, 1991**—Following the unsuccessful coup of August 19-21, the Soviet Communist Party was suspended, thus ending the institution that ruled Soviet Russia for nearly 75 years." (The History Place, n.d.).



(Google, 2014)



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## The Golden Scholar Birthday Announcements

(Google, 2014)



The Golden Scholar Newsletter would like to send our warmest wishes to all our August and September Birthday Members: Wishing you to have delightful day and a wonderful year ahead! Happy Birthday!

The following is a list of KUGKHS Members that celebrate a birthday in August and September (found on GIN site):

### August Birthdays

- ✧ Adalberto Santiago
- ✧ Jamie Fletcher
- ✧ Jennifer Mapa
- ✧ Pamela Brower
- ✧ Hayley Willis
- ✧ Ashley Gilbert
- ✧ Tamey Hodgkins
- ✧ Toni Burleson
- ✧ Teresa Cottrill
- ✧ Cyndi Giffin
- ✧ Guimary Bayron

✧ Noelle Sanders

- ✧ Elizabeth Jeffries
- ✧ Donna Witham
- ✧ Christine Mow
- ✧ Sarah Riley

### September Birthdays

- ✧ Jason Thompson
- ✧ Michael Eskridge
- ✧ Cayleigh Blake
- ✧ Dawn Tucker
- ✧ Laura Winkler
- ✧ Heather Travitz

✧ Jessica Leidtke

- ✧ Kevin Cornett
- ✧ Fay Biglow
- ✧ Jessica Gardner
- ✧ Nikyta Davis

✧ Christian Benjamin  
Juarez

- ✧ Brian Sweeney
- ✧ Synthia Nielson
- ✧ Heather Vannoy
- ✧ Janelle Arbuckle
- ✧ Jimmy McClain

✧ Sonya Arrington

- ✧ Amber Sutherland-  
Dunkins
- ✧ Samantha Tinggee-  
Delgado

✧ Jodi Tillis Young

- ✧ Debra Baptista
- ✧ Angelique Okamoto

(KUGKHS, n.d.)

If you would like to see your name here for your birthday month please add your birthday information to your GIN profile so that we may include you. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the "Editorial Team" at [kugkhs@gmail.com](mailto:kugkhs@gmail.com).



(Google, 2014)

Joyful wishes from your Editorial Team,

Beatriz Alfaro, Editor In Chief

Rickie Zarb, Assistant Editor



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## Golden Scholar Newsletter Bulletin

Hello KUGKHS Community! The Golden Scholar Newsletter is looking for scholarly writers to contribute to the newsletter. Come and join our monthly Golden Scholar Meetings and inspire others with your writing talents and incorporate published articles into your professional portfolio.

### This Month's Meetings

**Golden Scholar Newsletter Meeting:** Sunday, September 21 @ 9:00 p. m. (ET)

**General Membership:** Sunday, September 28 @ 9:00 p.m. (ET)

**New link for meetings:** <http://khe2.adobeconnect.com/gkhs/>

- ◆ **Announcement:** The Golden Scholar Newsletter will be converting to an online format and changing its name to 'The Golden Scholar Online Newsletter'. This decision was made to better reach our members via a link to our website and no longer email our members. This online newsletter will create a more interactive format experience for our members via comments, video, chapter and region information plus worldly news will be available. The link will be available once our online newsletter is up and running. The online newsletter will provide weekly information for our members and will continue to offer articles to all our members to participate. We hope to launch in October, keep an eye out for our invitation to visit our new website!
- ◆ **Announcement:** The Golden Scholar is looking for a second Assistant Editor to help create and produce the online newsletter. Please see *Special Announcement: Chapter Officer Positions Available* on Page 14 for more information.
- ◆ **Reminders:** Newsletter Announcements are found in the Kaplan GIN site <https://www.theginsystem.com/gkkaplan> under the Announcement section. This is where you will find article assignments, available articles, and format/submission information. Newsletter Meeting PPTs are found in File section of GIN.

If you have any questions or ideas on any of the articles, or segments available for the newsletter or would like to submit an article please contact us via email at [kugkhs@gmail.com](mailto:kugkhs@gmail.com) with "GS Newsletter Team" in your subject box.

—Editorial Team





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*(Golden Scholar News Bulletin continued from pg. 12)*

## New KUGKHS Members!

The Golden Scholar would like to welcome our 73 new KUGKHS Members!

### Graduate:

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| ❖ Dillys Kermah              | ❖ Melody Smith      | ❖ Daniel Hoffman    | ❖ Lynn Albin           |
| ❖ Eve Mueller                | ❖ Lourdes Gonzalez  | ❖ Brittany Odom     | ❖ James Fisher         |
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| ❖ John Sherman               | ❖ Paul Bourgea      | ❖ Nicole Gaffney    | ❖ Charles Forsyth III  |
| ❖ Meghan Harper              | ❖ Adrian Ridings    | ❖ Donna Skeete      | ❖ Derek Crowe          |
| ❖ Natasha Watson             | ❖ Susan Cunningham  | ❖ Megan Lapoint     | ❖ Jeniffer Trammell    |
| ❖ Marjorie Humble            | ❖ Rejane Costa      | ❖ Robert Powers     | ❖ Sherry Robinson      |
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| ❖ Vincent Zardus             | ❖ Kayla Logrono     | ❖ Wendy Stutzman    |                        |
| ❖ Bernadette Quinn           | ❖ Stacey Praschunus | ❖ Jenifer Blanchard |                        |
| ❖ Bernardino Arroyo          | ❖ Rebecca Lopez     | ❖ Bridget Dea       |                        |
| ❖ John Matt Dorgan           | ❖ Joshua Henderson  | ❖ Kaden Brooks      |                        |



(Google, 2014)

(list from Goldenkey.org, 2014.)

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# The Golden Scholar

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## Special Announcement: Chapter Officer Positions Available!

The Kaplan University Chapter of the Golden Key International Honour Society has available Chapter Officer positions to fill. It is not too late to join the KUGKHS as an Officer. Do you have the desire to be involved in extracurricular activities? Do you want to help others? Are you a leader? If you answered yes to these questions, please don't hesitate to submit a letter or video of consideration for an Chapter Officer position, because we want someone just like you to step up and stand out! We are currently looking for highly motivated, detail oriented Golden Key members with strong initiative to fill the roles of: **Alumni Director, Service Director, Membership Recruitment Director, Webmaster, Communications/Public Relations Chair, Social & Fundraising Director, Educational & Professional Development Director, Honorary Member & Outreach Liaison Director, Chapter Historian and Assistant Editor** (\*see officer duties).

### ANY STUDENT MEMBER MAY APPLY!

This is an amazing opportunity to be a leader in practice and drive your KU Chapter to great achievements. The many perks of Chapter Officers are attending International and Regional Summits; host and plan fun Chapter meetings and events; make a difference as a leader through the many service opportunities you can give of yourself and inspire others to make an impact; learn and practice valuable skills utilized in real life situations and careers; gain personal and academic growth; and proudly display your title in emails and your resume.

#### Requirements:

- ◆ 3.5 GPA
- ◆ Student before the end of 2014
- ◆ Motivated and eager to lead



**Unlock your potential!**

#### There are two ways to be considered for election to any of the available Chapter Officer positions:

- (1). Submit a letter of intent stating why you think you should be elected for a position along with your qualifications;
- (2). Submit a video; e.g. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s7WT9OILhUw>

Please note that there will be no added weight given for a video submission. All submissions are to be e-mailed to KUGKHS@gmail.com (please include the position title, i.e. "Webmaster", in your subject box).

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\*Officer Duties can be found in the files section of Kaplan GIN system link <https://www.theginsystem.com/gkkaplan>; KUGKHS Facebook Page announcement <https://www.facebook.com/KUGKHS>; KU Classroom link <https://kucampus.kaplan.edu/Security/Login> then click on academic enrichment classes.



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(Google, 2014)

## KUGKHS Alumni Spotlight: George Pammer by Rickie Zarb

Congratulations to Hailey Key! She was awarded a \$5,000 Education Debt Reduction Scholarship from Golden Key International Honour Society. Key, no stranger to scholarship awards was also awarded a Golden Key scholarship in 2012 for a study trip abroad through the International Scholar Laureate Program (ISLP). Key traveled with ISLP to China, Australia and New Zealand. Hailey Key's aspirations are to become a Peace Corp Volunteer and travel with her winnings in 2015. After two years of service she aspires to attend Missouri University Law School and obtain her J.D. (Pammer, 2014).

She is presently working two full time jobs to help pay her credit card debt, as well as a full time student at Kaplan University. She has been awarded other scholarships through National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Operation Hope, and Kaplan University. These scholarships have enabled Hailey to continue with her dreams. Congratulations Hailey on your dedication and hard work. (Pammer, 2014).

## Patriot Day by John McIntyre

This is the National Day of Service and Remembrance that occurs on September 11, annually by Presidential proclamation (Obama, 2012). On September 11, 2001 our nation was attacked causing the loss of life in New York, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania from the enemy. The world has changed since that day. People remember the events of the day with sorrow and hold events to honor those lost. Communities throughout the United States hold parades, service events, and reflect on the events 13 years ago on this day. Patriot day is a day of service to commemorate the fallen through selfless acts of charity or volunteering. This can be achieved through food drives, care packages for soldiers abroad or home, or performing actions for the less fortunate and in need of help. As members of The Golden Key International Honour Society, we have the privilege to make a difference on September 11 and every day through contributions to communities. I encourage everyone to take some time on this day to volunteer a few hours to help make a difference. In addition to this National Day of Service and Remembrance, the state of Massachusetts holds a Patriot day commemorating the Minutemen who began our nation's fight to freedom (April 19, 1775) on the third Monday in September. (Lee, 2014).



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## Back to School Tips by Rickie Zarb

For those students who are uneasy about starting school, point out the positive points of starting school. They can make new friends, maybe see old ones, reminisce about the positive memories of prior years, find a new friend to walk to school with or ride the bus with, or have Mom or Dad take them on the first day.

Backpacks can get heavy as children start carrying large textbooks back and forth from school. Make sure the shoulder pads are wide and padded. Have your child use both shoulder straps to prevent muscle strain. Place the heavier items in the center of the backpack to even the weight on both shoulders. Students that need to bring home a heavy load each night may want to get a rolling backpack if the school allows. Stairs or snow may not be suitable for the rolling type, nor do they easily fit into most lockers.

Discuss the basic rules of traveling to and from school, such as exiting and boarding a bus at safe locations, wait for the bus from the curb, when walking around a school bus make sure the driver can see the child, and utilize the bus seatbelts if present. Car riders should wear seat belts at all times or ride in an appropriate car seat. Children younger than 13 yrs of age should ride in the back seat of vehicles. Teen drivers should be limited in their transport of friends as that is when many of the accidents occur as they get distracted. Do not allow drinking, eating, or cell phone conversations while driving. Those students riding a bike to school should wear a helmet and ride on the right side of the road. Bright clothing should be worn so as to be more visible to drivers.

Your child may not like some school lunches, so plan ahead for these days and maybe pack a lunch on that day. Make sure your child is eating healthy at school and not just eating sugar and empty nutrient snacks as a substitute for meals. Most importantly schedule a time for homework and play time on a regular basis. Having enough sleep at night will help your child focus during the day. (*Back to School Tips*, 2014.).

## Did you Know? by Rickie Zarb

A sneeze can release thousands of particles at such high speeds it can break the sound barrier. (Berman, 2014).







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## Prostate Cancer by John McIntyre

(Google, 2013)

**PROSTATE CANCER**  
*awareness*

Prostate cancer is a disease affecting the male population. This cancer forms in the reproductive system in a gland below the bladder and in front of the rectum (National Institute of Health, 2014). It occurs

typically in older men at the rate of 233,000 (2014), 239,000 (2013) with a death rate over 29,000 (National Institute of Health, 2014). The growths in the prostate are either benign or malignant. The list below details the differences.

### Benign growths (such as benign prostatic hypertrophy):

- Is rarely a threat to life
- Don't invade the tissues around them
- Don't spread to other parts of the body
- Can be removed and usually don't grow back

### Malignant growths (prostate cancer):

- May sometimes be a threat to life
- Can invade nearby organs and tissues (such as the bladder or rectum)
- Can spread to other parts of the body
- Often can be removed but sometimes grow back

(National Institute of Health, 2014)



(Google, 2014)

The cancer can spread by breaking away from its original source known as metastatic cancer, it is still prostate cancer even if spread to another organ or the bones (National Institute of Health, 2014). This is why the treatment will be for prostate cancer, even upon spreading, since they are prostate cancer cells (National Institute of Health, 2014). The treatment options vary between individuals requiring the patient to gain an understanding of the disease and treatments. Treatment options depend upon the age, general health, and stage of cancer, symptoms, and Gleason score of the patient (National Institute of Health, 2014). Treatment includes active surveillance (monitoring), surgery, radiation therapy, hormone therapy, chemotherapy, and immunotherapies or a combination of these therapies (National Institute of Health, 2014). There is too much information on Prostate cancer to cover in this article so please visit the website [www.cancer.gov/prostate](http://www.cancer.gov/prostate) and read about this disease so you can better understand its effects.



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## Art & Poetry (Open Forum)



### Amber Glow

by Wesley Mincin

Submitted by Beatriz Alfaro

“Red and yellow painted trees hang idly within the  
trees

They break and sail along the breeze  
As fires of Autumn’s time

They dance and surf upon the ground  
Overlap each other with ruffling sound  
A setting I am glad I found  
As fires of Autumn’s time

Like fires of the Autumn season they leap and dance  
without a reason

A factor of Autumn’s many seasons  
As fires of Autumn’s time

The grey clouds break, the sun appears  
The dancing leaves appear serene  
These flames its kept for many years  
As fires of Autumn’s time.”

(Mincin, 2009).





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## GK Word Search by Tammy Sweet

(Answer Key on References Pg. 27)

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**HOTEL**

**ISLAND**

**PARK**

**PASSPORT**

**RESORT**

**ROAD**

**SEASHORE**

**SIGHT-SEEING**

**STATE**

**SUITCASE**

**SWIMMING**

**TOUR**

**TRIP**

**WATER**

**ZOO**



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## The Scholarly Vibe

(Google, 2014)



### The Movie Scoop

by Beatriz Alfaro

According to Movie Insider: 75 movies are planned to be released in August/September and among those are the highly anticipated movies of: **Action:** Sin City: A Dame to Kill for-Aug. 22; **Comedy:** Let's Be Cops-Aug. 13, and Search Party-Sept. 12; **Thriller:** No Good Deed-Sept. 12; **Drama:** When the Game Stands Tall-Aug. 22, and The Maze Runner-Sept. 19. (Movie Insider, n.d.). Here is a list of Movies coming to a theater near you for August/September, for more information on each movie listed please go to link: <http://www.movieinsider.com/movies/august/2014/> and <http://www.movieinsider.com/movies/september/2014/> to view trailers and find detail information about each movie.

#### August Movies (still not too late to see these movies)

“**August 1**-Guardians of the Galaxy; Get on Up; What If; Cabin Fever: Patient Zero; Calvary; Behaving Badly; and the Olivia Experiment.

**August 8**-The Hundred-Foot Journey; Into the Storm; Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle; and What If (Expansion).

**August 13**-Let's Be Cops

**August 15**-The Giver; The Expendables 3; Life After Beth; Ragnarok; The Trip to Italy; Frank; and Dinosaur 13.

**August 22**-If I Stay; When the Game Stands Tall; Sin City: A Dame to Kill For; The Possession of Micheal King; Two Night Stand; The Prince; 14

Blades; Are You Here; The One I Love; To Be Takei; Island Of Lemurs: Madagascar; and Love is Stange.

**August 27**-The November Man

**August 29**-As Above So Below; Leprechaun: Origins; Life Of Crime; The Congress; Cantinflas; Jamie Marks is Dead; and Yellow.

#### September Movies

**Sept. 5**-Forrest Gump (re-release); The Longest Week; Fronterea; and No No: A Dockumentary.

**Sept. 10**-My Old Lady

**Sept. 12**-No Good Deed; Search Party, Dolphin Tale 2; The Drop; The Disappearance of Eleanor Rigby; The Identical; 108 Stitches; Atlas Shrugged Part III; The Quitter; and Wheels.

**Sept. 17**- The Quest

**Sept. 19**-The Maze Runner; A Walk Among the Tombstones; This Is Where I Leave You; Reclaim; Space Station 76; The Skeleton Twins; The Zero Theorem; Tusk; The Scribbler; Tracks; Hector and the Search for Happiness; and Keep On Keepin' On.

**Sept. 26**-The Equalizer; The Boxtrolls; Laggies; Pride; The Two Faces of January; A Matter of Faith; The Song; and Jimi: All Is By My Side.

**Sept. 28**-Two: The Story of Roman & Nyro.”

(Movie Insider, n.d.).



(Google, 2014)

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## Places to Visit: Red Rock Canyon, Nevada by Rickie Zarb



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*(Photos by Rickie Zarb & Google.com, 2014)*



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(Google, 2014)

## Literacy Day by Rickie Zarb

Literacy is "the ability to read and write, and the competence or knowledge in a specified area." (Literacy definition facts, n.d.). September 8 is literacy day to remind the international community about literacy issues in the world. "Some 775 million adults lack minimum literacy skills; one in five adults is still not literate and two-thirds of them are women; 60.7 million children are out-of-school and many

more attend irregularly or drop out... Countries with the lowest literacy rates in the world are [Burkina Faso](#) (12.8%), [Niger](#) (14.4%) and [Mali](#) (19%)." (Wikipedia, 2014). Countries with a large population with severe poverty have the lowest literacy rates.

Newspaper articles and news reports are some of the ways UNESCO promotes the day. Global Dimension has several topics and teaching resources that can help promote literacy within the classroom. Their website is <http://globaldimension.org.uk/resources/search/?top=32>. Another website which teachers can utilize for 60 days to help students 'Lift off to Literacy' is <http://www.reading.org/international-literacy-day-2014>. Reading books, writing to pen pals in different parts of the world, reading comprehension, and discussing literature are some of the ways literacy can be developed in younger children at home or in the classroom.



(Google, 2014)

## Did you Know in this Month in History-September... By Beatriz Alfaro



(Google, 2014)

The interesting things that happened this month in history can be found on the History Place website:

**September 4, 1609**—The island of Manhattan was discovered by navigator Henry Hudson.

**September 8, 1883**—The Northern Pacific Railroad across the U.S. was completed.

**September 14, 1975**—Elizabeth Ann Seton became the first American saint.

**September 19, 1893**—New Zealand became the first country to grant women the right to vote.

**September 23**—Autum (Sept. 23-Dec. 21) begins in the Northern Hemisphere with the autumnal equinox, at 1:37 a.m. EDT. In the Southern Hemisphere it is the beginning of spring." (The History Place, n.d.).

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(Google, 2014)

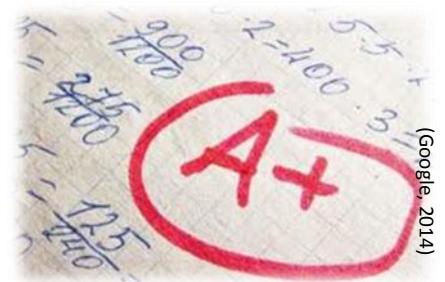
## School Success by Rickie Zarb

We hear about the ratings of schools with a letter grade each year. We know that the lower the letter the better the school, but by what criteria is a school measured? Elementary and Middle schools have key performance indicators of Academic Achievement, weighted 25%, Academic growth, weighted 50%, and Academic growth gaps, weighted 25%. High Schools have the following key performance indicators; Academic Achievement, weighted 15%, Academic growth, weighted 35%, Academic Growth Gaps, weighted

15%, and College and Career Readiness, weighted 35%.

(ColoradoSchoolGrades.com, 2013)

There is a 3-step process for national ranking of High Schools; the first two ensure that the school is serving all its students, using the state proficiency tests as a benchmark. Step 1 measures how the students are performing as compared to the average student in the state. Economically disadvantaged students are taken into consideration. Step 2 determines whether the school's least advantaged student is performing better than the average of these students in the state. Step 3 measures college readiness performance. The advanced placement (AP) test data is used as one of the benchmarks. The percentage of these students is calculated by totaling the number of students taking at least one AP or International Baccalaureate test and then dividing by the number of 12<sup>th</sup> graders, and how well they did on the test. (Morse, 2014).



(Google, 2014)

## Mango Nut bread by Rickie Zarb

Yields 2 loaves

Ingredients:

**2 cups all purpose flour**

**1/2 cup white sugar**

**1/2 cup brown sugar**

**1 teaspoon salt**

**1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon**

**1/2—1 cup walnuts**

**3 eggs**

**1/2 cup vegetable oil (canola oil)**

**1 teaspoon vanilla**

**2 cups cubed or mashed mangos**

**1/2 –1 cup raisins**



(Google, 2014)

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees
2. In a large bowl, combine the first 5 ingredients. In another bowl, beat the eggs, oil, and vanilla. Stir into the dry ingredients until moistened. Stir in the raisins, mangoes, and nuts. (Batter will be stiff)
3. Spoon onto 2 greased 4 x 8 inch loaf pans. Bake at 350 for 50-55 minutes or until toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks. (McElvey, 2010).



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