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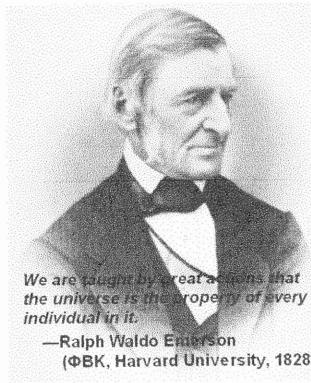
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Phi Beta Kappa members are selected from among the brightest students in the liberal arts and sciences. Each year, about one college senior in a hundred, nationwide, is invited to join.

The hard work, ambition, and dedication to excellence that helped our members earn their gold keys continue to fuel their success, long after they have left the classroom. We are proud to note their achievements when reported by the media, and even more pleased when we are able to share the news with their fellow Phi Beta Kappans.

To have your recent awards and accomplishments included in our Alumni News, write to news@pbk.org.



STEFANIE WEISMAN

(ΦBK, Columbia College, Columbia University, 2002)

Stefanie Weisman is thrilled to announce the publication of her first book, *The Secrets of Top Students*, a guide for the high school and college set on how to achieve academic success. It's based on her own experience – she was valedictorian of Stuyvesant High School and received the Albert Asher Green prize for the highest GPA in her class at Columbia University – as well as the insight of 45 other outstanding students. Her publisher is Sourcebooks EDU, which is also responsible for the likes of the *Fiske Guide to Colleges* and Gruber's test prep series. *The Secrets of Top Students* will be available at major booksellers starting in May. You can get in touch with Stefanie through her blog, www.valedictoriansguide.com, or follow her on Twitter @StefanieWeisman.

Posted On: 3/14/2013

NINA SANKOVITCH

(ΦBK, Tufts University, 1984)

Nina Sankovitch's book *Tolstoy and the Purple Chair: My Year of Magical Reading* was published by HarperCollins in 2011. It came out in paperback last year, and as of February 5, 2013, it is now available as an audio book! Her fellow ΦBKs can keep up with Nina at www.readallday.org.

Posted On: 2/24/2013

SARAH ARVIO

(ΦBK, University of Redlands, 1980)

Sarah Arvio is the author of three books of poetry, *Night Thoughts: 70 Dream Poems & Notes from an Analysis* (Knopf, 2013), *Visits from the Seventh* (Knopf, 2002) and *Sono: Cantos* (Knopf, 2006). She has won the Rome Prize, the Guggenheim, and other honors. Learn more about her work at saraharvio.com.

Posted On: 2/24/2013

DEBORAH SIEGEL

(ΦBK, Emory University, 1995)

After earning her ΦBK key in 1995, Deborah graduated with high honors from both Emory and the MBA program at the University of Michigan. She rose to the position of Sr. Vice President of Leadership Development and Change Management at the Bank of America, where she supported and advanced the professional lives of many who knew her. This news is shared with us by her mother, Susan Siegel, who informed us of her daughter's untimely passing at age thirty-six. "She was a proud ΦBK member," Susan writes, "and leaves behind her best life's work in her husband Jacob Hamburger and two beautiful daughters – Lindsay, age six, and Alana, age four. Future ΦBKs I am sure."

Posted On: 1/2/2013

FRED YANNANTUONO

(ΦBK, Georgetown University, 1970)

Is the Featured Poet in the Fall-Winter 2012 issue of *Light Quarterly*. He has also published a volume of collected poems, *A Boilermaker for the Lady* (NYQ Books, 2009).

Posted On: 11/23/2012

DANIEL E. BECTON

(ΦBK, University of North Carolina, 2007)