loha. As I tackle this new position I hope to continue the high standards of BEST, generate more professional networking for our members and keep everyone involved. I am very fortunate to inherit a club composed of tomorrow’s leaders. Everyone strives to make this club exceed any expectations.

The first great accomplishment this semester was our recruiting. We recruited sixteen highly qualified business students. This successful recruitment showed that our peers are recognizing our club and what it has to offer. This may seem impossible, but these new members enhance the quality of our membership even more.

I look forward to working with everyone in perpetuating our club this semester. I cannot wait to see what lies ahead for our club in the near future. I would like to thank our professionals for the continual support in our endeavors and would like to invite them to all of our activities. In closing, let us continue the accomplishments and success BEST has achieved.
At Our BEST

Parc Hotel Tour
By Jerilyn Young

Fifteen lucky BEST members, including several new Fall 1999 recruits, enjoyed a tour of the Waikiki Parc Hotel on September 27. The General Manager, Mr. Mark DeMello, walked us through the check-in process of a hotel guest, pointing out the most important elements that they use to keep the hotel running. Many details concerned the handling of guests and importance of eye contact when communicating. Our tour continued as we went up to one of the guest rooms overlooking Waikiki Beach. We learned about the expensive chemicals that are used to keep the carpets and blankets stain-free, and the internet access that will be installed in every room. To better service their business clientele, the Parc Hotel added a business center with their most recent renovation.

BEST members worked through the heat of the midday sun. At the end of the day all the work paid off with BEST bringing in $229 from a $35 dollar investment.

Thanks to all those who helped out and to the Niu Valley 76 station for allowing us to use their parking lot.

Niu Valley Car Wash
By Kip Howe

On September 26, BEST put on its car wash fund raiser at the Niu Valley 76 station. It was a great success. Although things were a little slow earlier on, by noon business was booming. People had their cars lined up waiting to be shined and put some money in the BEST fund.

A large portion of the profits came from pre-sale tickets, however many people came in off the street sometimes leaving and coming back with other cars. This fact along with gracious tips assured us we were doing a good job.

An outstanding majority of BEST members showed up for the event, giving up hours of their Sunday to help out the club. With sweat of the brow and a little elbow grease, with slippa tans and smiles,

Upcoming Events
✧ Oct 29-31, University of Hawaii Halloween Carnival
✧ Nov 3, Career Fair
✧ Nov 8, KITV Tour at 4:00 pm
✧ Dec 4, Professional Interaction Brunch
✧ Dec 18, Post-Semester retreat

At the conclusion of the tour, we were invited to sit down for a short question and answer session with Mr. DeMello and lunch at the ParcCafe. Here we learned that most profits are made through the occupation of rooms versus the operation of the two restaurants located within the hotel, despite the amiable atmosphere created by the waiters and the delicious dishes served at the buffet.
It was a perfect day for a retreat! The weather was spectacular - clear, blue skies with a touch of cool breeze. The timing was right - after four weeks of school and studying, it was time to take a break and have fun. Almost fifty BEST members, including the alumni, gathered at Sherwood Beach Park on Saturday, September 18th from 10:00 am-2:00 pm to build rapport and friendship among all the members. This outing was an opportunity for the returning members and the new members to get to know each other.

The retreat began with a couple of ice-breakers. Links which was the first icebreaker we played required us to link with a certain number of people and those who were not in a link had to state their name, major, and share something about themselves. For example, if the phrase was "numbers in a zip code", then seven members had to link to one another. Following that event, we all joined together and made a circle, where we called out a person's name while throwing the ball to him or her. The object of this activity was to try to remember everyone's name by the time each person had a chance to receive and toss the ball. Next, we played games such as "I Never", Tag, a three-legged relay race, and volleyball. These games were fun, filled with laughter and fellowship, with a bit of competition.

Everyone built up an appetite after participating in the games and devoured in four types of chicken, barbecue meat, banana lumpia, spinach rolls, chili, rice, a variety of salads, manapua, kalua pork, hot dogs, chips with salsa, brownies, doughnuts, and refreshing drinks. There was enough food to feed twice the number of people at the retreat. While eating, members had the opportunity to socialize informally. After taking several group pictures, everyone was free to swim, bodyboard, play volleyball, or simply relax.

This retreat was definitely a success due to the efforts and hard work of Jarrett Jacinto, the BEST Director of CBA Relations and his recruitment committee; Stephen Takahashi, the Director of Human Resources who planned the games; Reid Higashi, President of BEST who woke up extra early to transport and set up the tent; and the rest of the BEST members who contributed food and helped with the preparations and clean-up.