



BETA THETA PI FOUNDATION

Dear Family of Brother Wooden,

It is with great humility and gratitude that I write to you all after spending a week of discovery and self-exploration under the watchful eyes of Brother Wooden. His lasting legacy of timeless lessons that even today ~~descend~~ generations of both students and teachers with their wisdom instills in me a sentiment of utter gratitude and pride to have called Mr. Wooden a brother. We learned of his teachings of humility and grace: To give until there is nothing left; and to teach others based upon the Golden Rule not simply because it is a principle, but because it is a way of life. We learned of his teachings of success and ethic: When sometimes an effort is best judged by the marks of desire and potential, and how in the end, all that can be held dear is whether one can sit in bed at night, content with their decisions.

I could write to you all forever upon the subject of Brother Wooden's legacy. His morals and values could be recorded in a book of never-ending volume and length, one that would continue to grow for years to come. But it is a test to the true value and character of Brother Wooden that you all know he would not care to read his own praises. For a ~~book~~ containing such moral aptitude as this man, satisfaction would lie in knowing with absolute certainty that his teachings continue to inspire. From his small office in the back of the UCLA Basketball Center I sincerely hope that you all can take solace in knowing that Brother Wooden never stopped teaching. It is the work of this fraternal institute to ensure that Brother Wooden's gaze, his unfaltering heart and his hands forever stretched in invitation are never forgotten. It is the reason I return home forever changed. It is the reason I will forever and always say:

That I am proud to be a Beta Theta Pi.

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