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Subject: CPU Meeting Tomorrow, 1/8/2016 - note: LOCATION CHANGE!!! - at 6:00 PM in the **ID LAB**

Hey friends!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! Huzzah.

The first CPU meeting of the year is **tomorrow at 6:00 PM.**

Please note the following **LOCATION CHANGE**: instead of meeting in room 203, **we'll be meeting in the id Lab.** (iD Lab? Id lab? Aye-DEEE lab.)

Why the change? Our focus group in December suggested it would be good for the club's cohesiveness to bring the Advanced and Novice groups into the same physical space. Novice group will meet on the lab's upper level, and Advanced will continue meeting on the lower. The idea is that people can move easily between the two if they so wish. (That's the magic of stairs!)

This next meeting's agenda will be a little different: it's another focus group.

We got really great feedback from a few members from the Advanced group last meeting, but we also really want to hear from the Novices about how to make CPU more effective and viable in the long-term. **If you'd like to have a voice in determining the future of the club, it's imperative that you come tomorrow.**

If CPU were a baby, it would be turning three years old this February. That means it's actually not a baby anymore. **Our club's a toddler!!**

And heartbreakingly, in just a few months' time, that toddler will be violently wrenched away from its parents and put up for adoption. We'll need to find it a new family.

We'll need to find it better parents.

If you're interested in pursuing leadership opportunities at CPU, come to the meeting tomorrow.

We don't want CPU to be one of those clubs that disintegrates after the departure of its initial leadership. We want to be able to come back and visit as alumni in five, ten, twenty years and have it still be here, bigger and better than ever.

The focus group tomorrow marks the beginning of a very crucial transition period for this club: we begin preparing for its handing-off to the next generation of leaders. **If we mess this transition up, the club will die.** If we fail to come up with a framework to set up future leaders for success, **the club will die.**

Help us ensure that, come February 2017, our toddler makes it to his fourth birthday.

Patrick, Philip, and I have about six weeks left as your Co-Presidents. We need to make those weeks count, so that come spring term elections, all the pieces will be in place to let you guys take the reins as smoothly as possible.

We need your voices, ideas, and opinions to push this club forward and make it last. Please, **especially if you're a novice, and especially if you'd like to run for an officer position**, come to the focus group tomorrow.

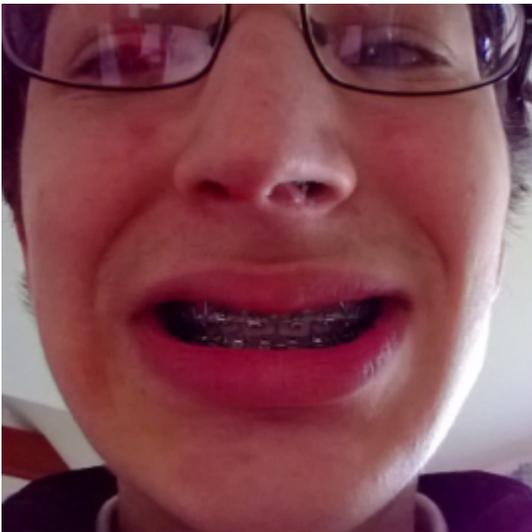
My apologies for this long-winded email; we really appreciate your time.

Let's go out with a bang. Do not go gently into the night.

Best,

Alex

P.S. I was 14 and beardless when we started this club - and I still had braces!



Who even is that?!