

Wednesday, October 24, 2007



THE ILLINI GREEK is a weekly informational email providing pertinent information to U of I fraternities and sororities on their individual operations, involvement in governing councils and engagement in the greater campus community. Fraternity and Sorority Affairs is committed to communication with our student leaders as well as alumni, house directors, (inter)national organizations, and other key constituents that support our fraternity and sorority community. Check out the mission of our community at www.odos.uiuc.edu/greek/about/communitystatement.asp.

Council Elections

get involved in your governing council!

Interfraternity Council Executive Board

To apply go to: http://illiniifc.com/page.php?form_id=300
IFC elections info. session: October 22 at 8pm, ACES Library: Heritage Room
Applications are due by October 31, 2007
Elections: November 7, 2007

Interfraternity Council Judicial Board

Applications available here: http://www.illinijboard.com/page.php?form_id=84
IFC elections info. session: October 22 at 8pm, ACES Library: Heritage Room
Applications due: November 9, 2007
Elections: November 28, 2007

Panhellenic Council Executive Board

Applicants are encouraged to contact current members of exec. to ask questions and also to apply for more than 1 position.
To apply go to: http://www.illiniphc.com/page.php?parent_id=&page_id=1134
Panhellenic Informational Meeting: October 18 at 7pm
Applications due: October 21, 2007
Elections: November 1, 2007

United Greek Council Executive Board

Elections will be held November 7, 2007
Applications will be available soon at: www.uiugc.com

Roster Updates

Please update your chapter roster online. Please add any new members that have joined so far this semester. Following is the link: <http://www.odos.uiuc.edu/greek/>. Please go to Update Chapter Roster Online under Membership Information. Questions? please contact Michelle Hart: moutlaw@uiuc.edu.
***Grade release cards are due November 15, 2007**

Raffle

If you read the Illini Greek this week you should be able to answer the question below. Reply with your answer to Michelle Hart at moutlaw@uiuc.edu and your name goes in the raffle to be eligible for one of the three certificates to restaurants, stores, etc. of your choice (if you win) - this will count toward Fall 2007.

When and where is the New Member Forum taking place?

Programming Idea: Non-offensive Halloween Costumes

Halloween is right around the corner—and you have decisions to make about your costumes. In light of recent incidents on our campus, please look over this article and the links to various resources seriously. Over the last years, there have been some accounts across the country of fraternities and sororities who have demonstrated a lack of sensitivity and poor judgment with their Halloween costumes. For examples, see:

http://www.tolerance.org/news/article_hate.jsp?id=325

http://www.tolerance.org/news/article_tol.jsp?id=334

<http://loper.org/%7EGeorge/trends/2002/Nov/80.html>

Also, themed parties reflecting insensitivity around certain cultures and socioeconomic issues such as “white trash” parties and “ghetto” parties have also been in the news. Numerous accounts over the last three years have been highly publicized, reflecting poorly on the Greek Community, specifically here at Illinois. Sadly, we’re not alone in poor decision making as you can see articles related to VMI soldiers doing this at:

<http://www.wdbj7.com/Global/story.asp?S=2871394&nav=S6aKVj9x>

You can see an overview about inappropriate Halloween costumes at:

http://www.tolerance.org/news/article_tol.jsp?id=885

It is not morally right to mock other people because of who they are, so when considering your Halloween costumes please take this into account. In addition, while you may emulate someone (“Oh, I’m a huge Michael Jordan fan”) it doesn’t mean it is ok to put on blackface and pretend to be him. There are many historical reasons for this. Learning more about the why’s will make this easier for you to understand. This isn’t about being politically correct. It is about making good decisions that do not demean other human beings for who they are.

New Member Forum

October 29th at 5:30pm & 8:00pm
October 30th at 7:00pm & 9:00pm
Illini Union Rooms A,B,C

Please mark your calendars for this program. All new members from Fall 2007 must attend. Your governing council will let you know what session your chapter members should attend.

Upcoming Programs

- October 26: Homecoming Parade
- November 6: Kristen's Story
- November 6: Strange Like Me
- November 11: BGC Turkey Drive
- January 11-12, 2008: President's Retreat

Emergency Messaging System

The campus is adding a new tool to its system for alerting students, faculty and staff about major emergencies by sending text messages to cell phones and email addresses.

- * The only way to receive these messages is to register for the service by going to: emergency.illinois.edu and submitting your contact information.
- * The system will be used ONLY in major emergencies involving threats to the safety of people on campus.
- * The campus will continue to use other methods for reaching students, faculty and staff with announcements.
- * If you haven't signed up yet, go to: emergency.illinois.edu and sign up TODAY.
- * If you receive an emergency message, please share the information with those around you.

National Make A Difference Day

October 27, 2007

Exemplify your fraternal values by "making a difference". Make A Difference Day is the most encompassing national day of helping others -- a celebration of neighbors helping neighbors. Everyone can participate. Created by USA WEEKEND Magazine, Make A Difference Day is an annual event that takes place on the fourth Saturday of every October. The next event is Saturday, October 27, 2007.

Check out the following link for more information:
<http://www.usaweekend.com/diffday/index.html>

Indiana Greek Leadership Conference (IGLC)

Sunday, November 4, 2007

Stewart Center, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

The IGLC program is created by Purdue's Panhellenic Association and Interfraternity Council, for students, and provides emerging leaders, chapter officers, and council officers access to some of the best speakers and current issues related to Greek life and personal leadership development. It began in 1984 and has evolved into one of the best one-day leadership seminars in the Greek world. Registration deadline is Friday. If you are interested in attending please contact Michelle Hart at moutlaw@uiuc.edu.

Emerging Leaders

November 10, 2007

10:30am-6:00pm at Illini Union

Chapter President's should nominate 2 "up and coming" leaders in your chapter to participate in the Emerging Leaders program. Please title the SUBJECT of your e-mail "Nominees: (Your Chapter's name)" and include each member's Name, Year, Chapter, E-mail, and Mailing Address in the BODY of the e-mail.
 Email your nominations to: emergingleadersuiuc@gmail.com

Would you like to become a NSP Student Leader?

While you have been diligently working through your fall semester the staff of New Student Programs has already been preparing for the 2008 programs and have some exciting changes on the horizon. In

addition to moving to the 4th floor of Turner Student Services Building we have created a New Student Leader position – the NSP Student Leader. This is an excellent way to get involved with the University as well as improve your leadership skills! Applications will be available starting Wednesday, October 17 and will be due by midnight Sunday, October 28. For more information about the new NSP Student Leader position, including dates and times of informational meetings and a link to the application and reference form please visit:<http://www.odos.uiuc.edu/newstudent/employment/NSPstudentleader/>

**Stop Rape! Take CARE! CHLH 199B
 Community Health (CHLH) 199B: Campus Acquaintance
 Rape Education Fall 2007, MW 3-4:30pm**

Why is it difficult to speak out against rape? If the majority of perpetrators are men, why is it still seen as a "woman's problem"? Is rape inevitable? This class explores the realities of sexual assault and its societal foundations. Students will have an opportunity to discuss and critically analyze the effects of culture, oppression, and socialization on sexual violence. Additionally, students acquire facilitation skills which allow them to work as peer educators with the CARE program. There are no prerequisites for this course. Men, LGBTQ students, students of color, and students with disabilities are encouraged to enroll. For more information, contact Ross Wantland at 333-3137 or wantland@uiuc.edu.

**Open Minds, Open Hearts: Multicultural Dating.
 Tuesday @ 7 Workshop**

Counseling Center Paraprofessionals
 "Students Helping Students"
 November 13th, 2007, 7-9pm, 406 Illini Union.

So Much to do, so Little Time:

Counseling Center Paraprofessionals
 Time Management Workshop
 Tuesday, October 30th, 7-9, 406 Illini Union

Men's Moment of Silence

Wednesday, October 31st
 Time: Noon
 Location: Middle of the Quad

**Congratulations to the winners of the Homecoming
 Greek Housing Decoration contest:**

Fraternities: Delta Upsilon
 Sororities: Alpha Omicron Pi
 Thank you to all of the chapters who participated in this event!!

**We wish to congratulate the following individuals for
 being elected to the Homecoming court:**

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| Emily Holtan | Pi Beta Phi |
| Jill Scholl | Alpha Gamma Delta |
| Gail Schnitzer | Alpha Epsilon Phi |
| Amanda Katz | Alpha Epsilon Phi |
| Kathryn Schwind | Alpha Omicron Pi |
| Bruce Frank | Farmhouse |
| David Allspach | Alpha Gamma Rho |
| Christopher Boggs | Delta Upsilon |
| Thomas Maske | Alpha Gamma Rho |
| Andrew Bowman | Alpha Gamma Rho |