

Tuesday, September 9, 2008



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/news/communitystatement.asp.

Welcome Fraternity & Sorority Graduate Assistants

Fraternity & Sorority Affairs would like to welcome two new graduate assistants to our staff this year. We are very excited to have them on board!

Tori Griffith graduated from Miami University in Oxford, OH in May 2008 and is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Leigh Pifer is a 2008 Illinois graduate and a member of Kappa Delta. Both Tori and Leigh are pursuing master's degrees in Higher Education Administration.

We would also like to welcome back **Brenda Lo** for another semester! Brenda worked for FSA last year and will graduate from the ILIR master's degree program this December.

Fire Factor September 27, 2008 ONLY A FEW SPACES LEFT!

A cooperative effort of the University of Illinois, the City of Champaign, the City of Urbana, and Illinois Fire Service Institute. The *Fire Factor Academy* teaches life safety lessons that prepare you to be **Safer on Campus, Safer for Life**. Fire Factor is a unique opportunity for college students to actually suit-up in fire gear and learn fire safety hands on!

It is an expectation of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs that if your organization has a Certified Housing Unit on campus, that at least one member participates in Fire Factor during the academic year (Academies are offered once per semester).

Attention IFC chapters, if your chapter did not participate in the Spring 2008 Academy, then you must participate in the Fall 2008 Academy to earn IGI points. REGISTER NOW-space is limited!

Register at: www.firefactor.net

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@illinois.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 2008.

When is the Fall Certified Housing Workshop?

FPREP - Still accepting students into class!

Fraternity men get a lot of blame for sexual violence on campus. Some fraternity men are choosing to do something about it. GWS 199RW is a two semester, 4 credit-hour course that trains fraternity men to become resources for their own chapters, and gain leadership & public speaking skills, while actively working to improve our campus community. To sign up or for more information, contact Ross Wantland at 333-3137 or at wantland@illinois.edu

Important Certified Housing Information Fall Semester Certified Housing Workshop

Mark Your Calendars! The Certified Housing workshop will be held on Thursday, September 11th, 2008 at 5:15pm in Clark Hall Room 134 A&B. Attendance at this meeting is a required as a part of your organization's certification. You will be receiving your City inspection date, Inspection fee invoice, Greek Housing Meeting schedule and Reciprocal Paperwork. All of these forms are vital if you wish to remain certified by the University. There are deadlines associated with each document so it is important that the information is shared with the right person from your organization immediately following the meeting. Again, attendance is mandatory so plan for someone to attend, ideally your House Manager or Chapter President.

Homecoming Court

Seniors, do you want to be a part of a longstanding University of Illinois tradition? Here's your chance!! Apply for the 2008 University of Illinois Homecoming Court! Pick up an application today in Illini Union Room 284 or visit the University of Illinois Homecoming website at <http://www.admin.uiuc.edu/homecoming/court.html> Applications are due by Monday, September 15, 2008 at 12:00 p.m. Questions regarding the application process or the Homecoming Court in general should be directed to Brooks Moore, Assistant Director of the Illini Union, at jbmoore@illinois.edu or 217/244-2357.

Attention Alumni: Save the Date! Student Leader Reunion

Homecoming 2008

Fri, Oct 10, 3:30-5:30pm

Illini Union Rooms A, B, C

(just prior to parade and pep rally)

Come and meet current and former student leaders and staff. Tony Clements, Adlon Jorgenson, Clarence Shelley, Susan Maul, Stan Levy will all be on hand. You can meet friends at the Union reception, visit booths with Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, Illinois Leadership Center, Illini Union Board, VIP, ISS/ISG and more, and then head to the parade and pep rally. Then cheer on the Illini as they take on Minnesota at Saturday at 11am. Come on down (or up)!

Make Your Dad King for the Weekend!

KING DAD 2008 nominations are now being accepted.

The Dads Association is accepting nominations for King Dad 2008. As a long standing tradition, King Dad will be crowned at the Dads Association annual banquet on Friday, Oct. 31st and will be announced at the Illinois vs Iowa football game on Saturday, Nov. 1st. Show your appreciation for Dad by submitting a nomination, available at <http://www.uofiparentprograms.uiuc.edu/dads/KingDadnom08.pdf> or stop by room 227 Illini Union. Nominations are due SEPTEMBER 25, 2008 at 5 pm in the Parent Programs Office in 227 Illini Union.

Power Reading Course

The Power Reading Course is designed to help students improve their reading speed, concentration, comprehension and productivity. This is a non-graded, non-credit, twelve session course that meets for 50 minutes on a M-W or T-TH sequence. Sessions will be available twice a semester. Books and materials will be provided. A materials fee of \$15.00 will be assessed each student. The First Session schedule is : M&W , September 14 - October 22, 2pm 150 English Building, 3pm 127 English Building, 4pm 307 English Building and T&TH, September 15 - October 23, 12pm, 1pm, & 2pm 116 Lincoln Hall. .Registration and Information is available on the first floor, room 110 of the Turner Student Services Building, 610 E. John St., online at <http://www.uiuc.edu/goto/powerreading>. or email: skherber@ad.uiuc.edu Applications are available now and through the 26th of October. To request an application through email include in the "subject" "POWER READING" and an application will be emailed to you, or you can download an application at: <http://www.uiuc.edu/goto/powerreading>

CHAMPAIGN URBANA BAGS TOURNAMENT

TO BENEFIT THE DON MOYER BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SEPTEMBER 26-28, 2008

You've been practicing hard for this...with friends, family, even strangers you met at a tailgate party. Now's your time to shine and show the world that you've got game! The Don Moyer Boys & Girls Club introduces... Champaign Urbana Bags 2008! Your two member team can help the local Boys and Girls Club continue thier mission, while you help yourself to your share of cash and prizes.

Sign up now to play in the Unviersity Division. Eighty tournament boards will be set up in the middle of Green Street between 5th and Wright Street. The format is double elimination with the first round commencing at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, September 26th. University Division play will be completed on Saturday night on Neil Street in downtown Champaign. First place is \$500.00 for the winning team and the event will award prizes to the top twenty teams.

The entry fee is \$30.00 per team, but if you register prior to September 15, there is a \$10 per team discount. Simply go to www.dmbgc-cu.org and follow the links. Team openings are limited, so register early to guarentee your spot in the biggest bags tournament this area has ever seen!

For additional information, please contact Michael Byrd at 217-355-5437 or mbyrd@dmbgc-cu.org.

Volunteer Opportunities

SOAR is looking for tutor volunteers to provide homework and reading help to at-risk students in grades K-5. The program itself operates Tuesdays-Thursdays from 3-5pm and begins September 1st. Volunteers will not only be trained to work in a K-12 tutoring and literacy setting and provide a greatly needed and appreciated service to the local community, but have an opportunity to foster lasting bonds between their students and other tutors. Interested in volunteering or would like more information contact Sarah Okner at okner@illinois.edu

Upcoming Events for Fall 2008

Mark your Chapter Calendars now!

August 21-September 13: IFC Social Alcohol Ban

September 4-7 & 12-14: Panhellenic Formal Recruitment

September 27: Fire Factor

September 28 - October 3rd: Greek Week

October 6-12: Homecoming Week

October 10: Homecoming Parade (sponsored by IFC & PHC)

October 25: Emerging Leaders

Volunteers needed

Would you like to help raise funds for an RSO that directly impacts the Champaign-Urbana community youths? Come out and serve as an Illinois Football Event Staff! The Illini Mentor Program (IMP) is currently looking for volunteers to work the Illini Football games. Volunteers will be working as supervisors, gateworkers and ushers during the following dates:

September 13, 11a- Louisiana-Lafayette

October 11, 11a- Minnesota

October 18, 7p- Indiana

November 1, TBA- Iowa

November 15, TBA- Ohio State

Interested in working a game? Please contact Toni Espina at tespina2@illinois.edu for more information. GO ILLINI!

Chapter Homecoming Events

Fraternity & Sorority Affairs has created a page on our website to list Fraternity & Sorority Homecoming Events. This page will be linked to the main university Homecoming website. We hope that this additional means of advertising will create more exposure for your Homecoming activities and possibly connect additional alumni/ae to your organization. If you wish to have your Homecoming Event(s) listed on this website, please provide us with all of the Required Information listed below and any of the Optional Information that you choose.

Required Information:

Chapter name

Event Title

Event Date

Event Time

Event Location

Contact Person (Name, Email and/or Phone #)

Optional Information:

Website link

RSVP instructions

Any additional information

Please send all information to Michelle Hart at moutlaw@illinois.edu

University of Illinois Fraternities & Sororities 2008 National Awards

Acacia:

Malcolm Award. This award is given to the best Acacia chapter in the nation.

Excellence in Communications Technology
Excellence in Membership Recruitment
Excellence in Alumni Programming
Excellence in Human Service
Award of Merit--Art Mertes
Order of Pythagoras--Matt Conway

Alpha Chi Rho:

Most Effective Executive Leadership

Alpha Delta Pi:

Alpha Education Excellence
Harris Finance Excellence
Recruitment Excellence
Scholarship Excellence
Total Membership Education Excellence
Diamond 4 Point Award
Achievement Award

Alpha Epsilon Phi:

Honorable Mention, Activities Award
Exceeded All-Sorority GPA
#1 GPA on Campus
2nd place - Shirley Mints Greenfield Achievement & Excellence Award
3rd place - Academic Performance

Alpha Gamma Rho:

Excellence Scholarship Recipient: Andrew Bowman, Graduate May 2008
Green Chapter Award
Honorable Mention, Chapter Recruitment
High Honor, Chapter Website

Alpha Phi:

Excellence for being the Top Donor to the Alpha Phi Foundation for the 2006-2008 Biennium in the North Central Midwest Region.

Alpha Phi Alpha:

First place in Scholar's bowl
District of Illinois Highest GPA

Alpha Tau Omega :

Honorable Mention--True Merit Award.
Excellence in Service
Excellence in Recruitment

Chi Omega:

Award of Achievement in Operations
Recognition Award for five years of dedicated service to the Make A Wish Foundation
Academic Achievement Award

Delta Zeta:

Commendation for achieving 20 years of consecutive quota

Gamma Phi Beta:

Order of the Crescents (excellence in recruitment, risk management, member education, finance & efficiency, and scholarship.)
Scholarship Excellence Award
Most Outstanding Recruitment Award

Kappa Delta Rho:

Chapter of the Year
Best Website
New Member Award
Recruitment Award

Lambda Phi Epsilon:

Midwest Regional Chapter of the Year award

Phi Kappa Psi:

Chapter Advisor of the Year--Todd Salen

Pi Beta Phi:

3rd Best Chapter of Excellence (second year in a row!)
Chapter of Excellence in Scholarship
Whitney Wycoff (2010 Pledge Class) Best Arrow Magazine Correspondent

Pi Kappa Alpha:

The Robert A. Smythe Award, awarded to the top 2% of national chapters
The Raymond L. Oriens Chapter Excellence Award, awarded to the top 10% of national chapters
The Scholarship Plate, awarded to all chapters with a cumulative GPA of 3.0+
The 100+ Man Chapter Award

Pi Kappa Phi:

Legacy Recruitment Award 2008
The Bronze Star 2007-2008 (In Appreciation of Outstanding Dedication and Commitment to Push America)
The Centennial Society 2007-2008 (\$100 Per Man In Recognition of Superior Leadership and Commitment To Push America)
The honour of Master Chapter (For attaining Level III excellence in Superior Associate Member Education)
The honour of Master Chapter (For attaining Level III excellence in Academic Achievement)
Alex Stezskal: Top Fundraiser Award for Push America's Gear Up Florida 2008 event. Raised \$5,500 for Push America.

Sigma Chi:

McComas Scholarship in summer of 2008, A grant of \$500 acknowledging good goal planning for our annual, national leadership seminar.

Sigma Kappa:

Sisterhood Recognition Award
Academic Achievement Award
Academic Excellence for Top Scholarship Award
- Honorable Mention

Alice Hersey Wick Award - Honorable Mention
(given to those chapters who cooperated with National
Headquarters willingly on any project)

THREE STARS OF EXCELLENCE (awarded
to those chapters who achieve the highest
standards of excellence in academic performance,
recruitment, philanthropy, alumnae relations,
new member education, ritual, etc.)

Sigma Nu:

Increase in Manpower Award
Mike Ritchie, Alumni Chapter Officer Award

Sigma Pi:

ACE Project Award
Top 25 Chapter Award
800 Club
Finalist for Sage's Cup
The Michael P Carey Award--recipient: Michael B Murphy
Grand Chapter Award
Grand Council Award

Sigma Phi Epsilon:

"AVC Operation Excellence - An inaugural award
"Manpower 90" - for 90+ member chapter
"Volunteer of the Year" to Shawn Dalglish
"Manpower Excellence Award" - for having the
largest chapter on campus
"Phi Beta Kappa Wheelhouse Award" - 3.15+ GPA

Sigma Tau Gamma:

Emmit Ellis Chapter Scholarship Award
W.T. Hembree Chapter Leadership Award

Theta Xi:

Outstanding Recruitment
Outstanding Chapter Advisor - Josh Deyoung
Third Place for Habitat Humanity

Zeta Phi Beta:

Certificate of Recognition Presented in recognition
as a Top Performing Z-HOPE Chapter
1st Place among all international Undergrad Chapters
Certificate of Participation in recognition of
participating in at least one Z-HOPE Project
Point of info: Z-HOPE is an internationally mandated
program that can be satisfied by any quality
service project. Z-HOPE stands for Zetas Helping
Other People Excel.