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.

Upcoming Events for Fall 2010
**Mark your Chapter Calendars now!**
- September 1: New President Orientation
- September 3-5 & 11-13: Panhellenic Formal Recruitment
- September 25: Fire Factor
- October 16: Emerging Leaders
- October 16: i-Help
- October 16-23: Homecoming Week
- October 22: Homecoming Parade (sponsored by IFC & PHC)

Attention Chapter Presidents
The deadline to register your chapter as a Registered Student Organization is September 30, 2010. There are important policy changes being implemented this semester. For a complete list visit www.illinois.edu/ro

Update your Roster!
Please update your chapter roster online. Now is the time to remove all members that graduated in May or August and others that may not be returning for any reason.

Panhellenic Council Chapters must update their roster by August 30th. Both Panhellenic & Fraternity and Sorority Affairs need accurate membership information for each chapter prior to recruitment - please help us out by updating your roster!

Following is the link: http://www.odos.uiuc.edu/greek/. Please go to Update Chapter Roster Online under Membership Information. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Hart - moutlaw@illinois.edu.

New Chapter President Orientation
All newly elected Chapter Presidents must attend the New Chapter President Orientation to learn about the roster system, expectations of Chapter Presidents and meet the Fraternity & Sorority Affairs staff. Please email Michelle at moutlaw@illinois.edu to confirm your attendance.
- September 1 at 7:00pm
- ACES Library--Monsanto Room

Important Certified Housing Information
Fall Semester Certified Housing Workshop
Mark Your Calendars! The Certified Housing workshop will be held on Thursday, September 9th, 2010 at 5:00pm - 7pm 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.

Fire Factor
September 25, 2010
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!
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 a full-on one day only fire academy.

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 2010 Academy, then you must participate in the Fall 2010 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 2010.

Name one topic for the I-Journey Workshops.
Homecoming Parade Float Registration
The Homecoming Parade is being held on October 22, 2010. Pair up now with another sorority, fraternity, or local business and promote your chapter! Get a head start on the planning of a float and register at www.illinigreeks.com under events! Deadline to register your float is October 14, 2010 or when we reach 90 applicants.

Philanthropy Opportunity
DoSomething.org is one of the largest organizations in the United States that empowers young people to take action in their communities. One of Do Something’s most successful annual campaigns, Teens for Jeans, is about to launch onto college campuses around the country this upcoming winter! Students participating in the 2011 campaign will run jeans collection drives at their schools and bring them to their local Aeropostale, which then donates them to a nearby homeless shelter. If you would like to sign up your Greek chapter to run Teens for Jeans at Illinois, please email Eric at campaignasst@dosomething.org; you can learn more about Teens for Jeans by visiting http://www.dosomething.org/.

Looking for Leaders—1867 Society
The 1867 Society Council is looking for student leaders to help promote student philanthropy at Illinois, for Illinois. If you have an interest in leading fundraising, advertising, event planning, budgeting, or recruiting efforts at a campus level then you might consider applying for a position on the Executive Council. You can submit an application online at https://illinois.edu/fb/sec/237695. The deadline is Friday, September 10.

The Council will focus on increasing participation in the 1867 Society, which recognizes students who make gifts to the campus. As part of the council, you will have the opportunity to learn about the campus fundraising operations, influence your peers in a way that supports campus, and gain experiences that will impact your skills and marketability among employers.

Plan ahead for Fall semester i-programs!
Plan on participating in one of the outstanding i-programs offered by the Illinois Leadership Center this fall semester. They are a great way to enhance your leadership skills!

Insight: full day program focused on self-development skills related to you as an individual
Saturday, October 9

Intersect: full day program focused on the development of interpersonal skills so that you can effectively work with others.
Saturday, September 25
Saturday, November 6

Integrity: full day program focused on understanding one’s values and beliefs as they relate to leading groups and organizations.
Saturday, October 9

More information about i-programs and the Illinois Leadership Center can be found here:
http://www.illinoisleadership.uiuc.edu

Apply for Teach for America!
Only 1 in 10 students growing up in poverty will graduate from college. Teach for all 10 by applying to Teach For America.

Teach for America is a national nonprofit organization, building the movement to eliminate education inequity by enlisting our nation’s most promising future leaders in the effort. Our teachers, whom we call corps members, agree to teach for two years in low-income rural and urban regions across the country, earning a full salary and benefits while dramatically changing the educational and life opportunities for low-income students. After the corps experience, our 200,000 alumni are part of a growing force of leaders fulfilling our long-term mission by addressing the factors that contribute to educational inequity and remaining advocates for their students from every professional sector.

We especially need you! The Greek community at the University of Illinois leads this campus, and we need your passion, dedication, perseverance, and spirit to impact a major social injustice. The fight for educational inequity has been called the civil right’s issue of our generation by Education Secretary Arne Duncan. Join the movement by checking out our website at www.teachforamerica.org and our application at https://www.teachforamerica.org/online/info/index.jsp. If you have any questions about Teach For America or the application process, please reach out to Coury Shadyac, a 2008 Charlotte, NC corps member who taught high school English, at coury.shadyac@teachforamerica.org.

Our next deadline to apply is September 17! Apply now!

I-Journey Workshops
I-Journey workshops are peer developed, peer led workshops covering a variety of topics. Facilitated by a pool of trained student-facilitators, I-Journey workshops explore issues of social identity, exclusion/inclusion, and being an ally. Student-facilitators with requestors to adapt, modify, or create a workshop to meet the needs of the specific groups.

Workshop topics include:
- diversity
- stereotypes
- segregation on campus
- building inclusive organizations

For more information about the I-Journey workshops or to request one please visit the following website: http://studentaffairs.illinois.edu/diversity/education/DSJEI/JourneyWorkshop.html