Upcoming Events for Fall 2010

**Mark your Chapter Calendars now!**

- **September 25:** Fire Factor
- **October 1-3:** Greeks Serve
- **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

The Counseling Center Paraprofessionals Tuesday @ 7p Workshop Series Presents:

- Bridging the Gap: Making the Most of Your Long Distance Relationship
- **Date:** Tuesday, September 21
- **Time:** 7-9pm
- **Location:** Room 406 Illini Union

National Hazing Prevention Week

**September 20-24, 2010**
http://www.nhpw.com

Essay Contest - This year’s theme is: Theme: “Defining Hazing & Taking Action” Essays will be accepted from students, parents, administrators, advisors, etc. Essays should be typed, double-spaced and not longer than 1000 words. Prizes will be awarded for the top three essays. All entries must be received by November 1, 2010. To submit your essay, go to the following link: http://www.hazingprevention.org/page.php?page_id=3744

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

Greek Serve (Ohio State) October 1-3

If your chapter is interested in letting Panhellenic or Interfraternity Council use your house for tours, please email mhitchc2@gmail.com. There will be about 50 Ohio State Greeks touring.

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.

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.

What is the deadline for the King Dad Nominations?
**KING DAD NOMINATIONS AVAILABLE**

Calling all students! Dads Weekend is a time to celebrate all that our father-figures do in our lives - and what better way to honor your dad than to nominate him for King Dad? The process is simple; just fill out the nomination form at the following link: http://www.uofiparentprograms.illinois.edu/dads/KingDadNOMINATION2010.doc and submit it by Friday, October 1, 2010. We’ll contact you if your Dad is one of the three finalists. If you have any questions regarding the nomination process, email us at uofiparents@illinois.edu.

**September 2010 Ally of the Month: Nirali Shah**

On behalf of the SODA Committee of the Counseling Center, the LGBT Ally Network, and the LGBT Resource Center, we would like to congratulate Nirali Shah as our September 2010 Ally of the Month! Nirali, we thank you publicly for your contributions, wisdom, knowledge, and experiences, and we value and appreciate all the work you do in and around the LGBTQ community at the University of Illinois.

**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 inequality 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 teachforamerica.org.

For more information 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!

**Illini 4000 for Cancer**

“The Illini 4000 for Cancer is looking for students to make a difference this summer and during the school year. The Illini 4000 sends students on a 4,000 mile bike ride across America every summer to raise money and awareness for the fight against cancer and to support Camp Kesem. Can’t ride? We also need help with our Portraits Project! We collect stories from cancer patients and survivors to show how cancer affects diverse populations across America. Email Piyum Zonoow with questions at teamdevelopment@illini4000.org Send in your rider applications by Sept. 26 at noon to http://illini4000.org/apply/”

**I-Journey Workshops**

I-Journey workshops are peer developed, peerled 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/DSJElJourneyWorkshop.html

**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 campaignnassst@dosomething.org; you can learn more about Teens for Jeans by visiting http://www.dosomething.org/.

**Volunteer Opportunity**

What: Open House at Champaign County Christian Health Center
When: October 23, 2010
Time: 10am-12pm
Where: 507 S. Second Street, Suite 2E (2nd floor of Dental Circle on the corner of 2nd and Healey)
Who To Contact: Sheri Williamson volunteer.ccchc@gmail.com 217-398-2914

Champaign County Christian Health Center is a not-for-profit health clinic that provides free health care services to the uninsured of Champaign County. We are a weekly clinic that provides medical, dental, and psychiatric services. We host this event to not only bring awareness to the uninsured, but to our clinic. We invite any college student who has a passion for helping others. It is also a wonderful opportunity to gain experience in the health care industry and learn new skills. We invite you to visit our clinic and learn more about the volunteer opportunities available.