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 2011**

*August 31: New President Orientation*

September 8: Certified Housing Fall Workshop

September 9-11 & 16-19: Panhellenic Formal Recruitment

September 23: Fire Factor

September 23: iHelp

September 26 -30: Homecoming Week

September 28: Greeks Support Homecoming: BBQ and Bags Tournament

September 30: Homecoming Parade (sponsored by IFC & PHC)

October 23: Emerging Leaders

**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.

August 31, 2011

7:00pm-8:00pm

Noyes Hall, room 165

**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.

**Show your Illini Spirit & Decorate Your Chapter House!**

1. Display a banner outside
2. Hang orange strands of lights on your house, in trees, on pillars, etc.
4. Be creative!!

As always, please check with your House Corporation regarding limitations they may have on using decorations, do not overload electric sockets and be careful if using ladders to hang lights, etc.

**Homecoming Parade Float Registration**

The Homecoming Parade is being held on September 30, 2011. 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 September 23, 2011 or when we reach 90 applicants.

**University of Illinois 2011 Homecoming Court Information**

The Homecoming Court is comprised of 10 women and 10 men in Senior standing, who are elected based on their academic achievements, campus leadership, and community involvement. Those elected to serve on the court are viewed as role models for their peer and outstanding representatives of the University of Illinois student body. Please help recognize campus leaders and nominate yourself, your organizations leader, your friend or a student you know to be part of the Illinois tradition. Please visit the following link for the application: http://illinois.edu/homecoming

PLEASE NOTE THE EARLY APPLICATION DEADLINE OF SEPTEMBER 1st!!

**Greeks Support Homecoming Window Decorating Contest.**

If you do not have a Chapter house and would like to show your support for Homecoming, you may do so by decorating a window in a business on Green Street. If you are interested in participating in this event, please contact Greeks Support Homecoming Co-Chairs Beth Ray at emray2@gmail.com and Drake Robards at drakerobards@gmail.com. The date is Sunday, September 25 and the judging will take place at 5:00pm.

**Important Certified Housing Information**

Fall Semester Certified Housing Workshop

Mark Your Calendars! The Certified Housing workshop will be held on Thursday, September 8th, 2011 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.
**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:
- Organization
- Event Title
- Event Date
- Event Time
- Event Location
- Contact Person (Name, Email and/or Phone #)
- Website link (if applicable)
- RSVP instructions

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

**Fire Factor**

**September 23**

**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.

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 2011 Academy, then you must participate in the Fall 2011 Academy to earn IGI points. REGISTER NOW-space is limited!

Register at: www.firefactor.net

**Women in Leadership Program**

The Women in Leadership Program is a two day program that combines leadership development with an hands on internship experience. During the fall semester you will attend a two day leadership conference followed by bi-monthly leadership development workshops. At this time, you will also be placed into teams and work with a local social justice or women’s advocacy agency. This agency will present your team with a challenge they are currently experiencing. You and your team would research solutions to solve that challenge. The fall semester is considered the leadership development and research phase of the program. In the spring semester, your team would implement a solution to the challenge and track its success. This is an awesome hands on experience and internship. The program is intensive and does require that you have time in your schedule for it. If students have any questions please contact Gia Lewis-Smallwood at gialewis@ywcauofi.org for more information!

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**OiIR Cross-Cultural Student Leader Retreat**

Friday-Saturday, September 17 – 18, 2011

@ Western Illinois University

The Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Relations (OiIR) is delighted to invite interested students to increase understanding of various dimensions of diversity and intersections of identities, explore opportunities for cross-cultural engagement, and build collaborative relationships and programming. In addition to workshops and discussions, retreat attendees will also have plenty of wonderful opportunities to network and exchange ideas and information with other student leaders and OiIR staff. Registration forms are available online at go.illinois.edu/CrossCulturalRetreat. The deadline to submit the registration form is Saturday, September 10, 2011 at noon. This retreat is free to all students and is paid for by the Student Cultural Programming Fee (SCPF) and OiIR. Space is limited to 75 students. If you register but don’t show up, you will be charged a $50 fee to your student account. If you have any questions about the retreat, please contact Jennifer DeLuna, jdeluna@illinois.edu,

Here is the link for the webtools form: go.illinois.edu/CrossCulturalRetreat

**Need an Idea for your next Meeting**

Campus Recreation can help! We would like to tell you about our Wellness on Wheels program for free at your next group meeting.

To learn more about the Wellness on Wheels program please view the following website, http://www.campusrec.illinois.edu/wellness/scheduleClass.html, or see the attached document.

Choose from our Healthy Cooking or Group Fitness programs at our websites below, and we can design a Healthy Program specifically for your Group!

We look forward to hearing from you! If you’re interested in setting up a meeting, please contact jlk@illinois.edu.

**The Counseling Center Paraprofessionals Tuesday @ 7pm Workshop Series Presents:**

**Far Apart But Close at Heart: Long Distance Relationships**

- **Date:** Tuesday, September 6
- **Time:** 7-9pm
- **Location:** Room 404 Illini Union

**Sexual Assault Liaison class**

GWS 199PLM. This class trains sorority women to be supporters and advocates for other women dealing with issues of interpersonal violence. This course will offer practical skills in providing support and referrals to campus and community resources. It meets from 3-5pm on Thursdays. To register contact Jennifer Scott at jscott1@illinois.edu.

**Attention Fraternities and Sororities: Free Tennis Clinic**

Sponsored by the Men’s U of I Tennis Team

- **Date:** September 19th
- **Time:** 4:00pm - 5:00pm
- **Where:** Atkins Center

If you would like to participate please contact Marcos Asse at marcos@illinois.edu