Important Upcoming Dates

August 11 – Final IFC Exec and delegate retreat, meet in 207SC, 10 AM

August 12 –
- Final examinations for 13 Week Session, 10 Week Session, and 2nd Five Week Session classes
- Summer Commencement

August 12-13 – Panhellenic Council & Counselors Retreat, 4-H Center

August 15-16 – Greek Summit (President, VP, Social/Risk Management Chair must attend)

August 16 – TOL Retreat

August 17, 18, 20 – SOS Training

August 21-24 – Welcome Week Activities for new freshman and transfer students
- 21 – Move in day for Freshman/Transfer students
- 22 – Opening Convocation
- 23 – Greek Life Session with Freshmen, SC Ballroom, 3 PM, only one (1) rep per organization required (please wear lettered shirt)
- 24 – Conway Daze and RSO Fair
  - Pep Rally – Practice Field 5:30 PM

August 25 – Instruction begins (day and evening classes)

August 26 – NPHC Step Show, Ida Waldran, 7 PM, $5.00 admission

August 27 – Instruction begins for Saturday classes

August 27 – First council meetings

August is Here Already?!

Can you believe that the 2011-2012 school year will be starting in less than a month? It is crazy to think that another summer has already passed and students will be hurrying back to UCA’s campus for another year. The Office of Student Life staff has been working hard all summer to make the upcoming year amazing. Before the summer is over, staff members will be meeting with their respective councils for final meetings and retreats. By the time school starts, all four Greek councils will start the new school year off positively with new goals and plans of action. If you are not involved with the planning process for your organization, then make a change and start today! Your help, whether large or small, may be the impetus to take your organization from good to great over the next school year. As always, the Student Life staff is here to assist every organization achieve that level of greatness.

-Scott Isenga

Epsilon Xi Wins Multiple National Awards

The Epsilon Xi Chapter of Delta Zeta Check was recognized for several awards at the Norma Menschik Anderson Leadership Conference this past month. Epsilon Xi received the Silver Award for Outstanding New Member Enhancement Program in addition to six National Runner-Up Awards in the following areas: 1.) Social Risk Management Programming; 2.) Outstanding National Campus Event; 3.) Outstanding National History Program; 4.) Outstanding Pink Goes Green Initiative; 5.) Outstanding Panhellenic Public Relations Award; and 6.) Outstanding Philanthropy Project. In addition, the chapter had several individual members recognized: Haley Morgan, former Chapter President, received the Regional Director Award, for the Region’s Outstanding Senior; Caroline Nipper was recognized as the Region’s Outstanding Junior, and Laura Beth Kordsmeier was named the Outstanding New Member. Congrats to the ladies of Epsilon Xi on your outstanding achievements!
Important Dates Cont.

**September 1** – 1st Home Football Game UCA vs. Henderson State, 7PM
- Football pep rally, 6 PM, Purple Valley Theme

**September 5** – Labor Day Holiday (Student Life Office closed)

**September 6-9** – IFC Fall Recruitment

**September 10** – UCA Football vs. Louisiana Tech, Ruston, LA, 6pm

**September 11** – Phired Up Workshop and Greek Convocation, SC, 12-8 PM

**September 12** – Greek Judicial Board applications available in 207 SC

**September 15** –
- RSO Officer Registration & RSO Fair Registration Forms Due in 207 SC, 4:30 PM
- Greek Rosters Due (email to council advisor by 4:30 PM)
- Greek council dues must be submitted to council’s advisor by 4:30PM
- “Go Greek” Information Night, 5 PM
  - Each organization is provided with a PR table
  - Maximum of three (3) representatives per organization

**September 17** – UCA Football vs. Sam Houston State, Huntsville, TX, TBA

**September 19** – Homecoming packets available

**September 24** – UCA Football vs. AR State, Jonesboro, AR, TBA

**September 28** – Greek J-Board applications due to 207SC by 4:30 PM

Have a date/event that you would like to see listed? Email them to ucagreeks@gmail.com.

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UCA Greek Village Update

Plenty of progress has been made since the June 15, 2011 meeting to determine a finalized location for UCA’s Greek Village project. Since that time, Dr. Gary Roberts, Dean of Students, and Ronnie Williams, VP for Student Services, have held various meetings with other campus administrators about the project. From these meetings, the Dean of Students Office obtained approval from President Meadors and the UCA Board of Trustees to place a “Future Home of UCA Greek Village” sign at the corner of Dave Ward Drive and Farris Street. In addition, Ronnie Williams and Shelley Mehl, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, will be meeting with a potential donor in the near future to possibly secure some initial funding for the project.

On July 27, 2011, another meeting was held with various campus officials to determine if a consultant will be needed for this project. By the close of the meeting, the group determined that hiring a consultant would be very helpful in determining the needs of Greek students and alumni in regards to a possible future village project. In addition, Student Life Staff members will be contacting alumni from each group to schedule a future meeting to present detailed project information and obtain feedback from every Greek organization at UCA. If you have any further questions about Greek Village progress, please contact Dr. Gary Roberts at GaryR@uca.edu.

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Panhellicenic Recruitment Update

At the July 11, 2011 Panhellenic Retreat, delegates voted to allow fall semester continuous open bidding (COB) from September 8, 2011 through December 2, 2011. Prior to extending an open bid, each sorority is responsible for verifying the eligibility of a woman with the Panhellenic Advisor, Lindsey Osborne. Any chapter that is not at total (85) throughout the fall 2011 semester is eligible to extend an open bid. Potential new members (PNMs) should fill out the Continuous Recruitment Interest Form on the UCA Panhellenic website so their eligibility can be verified. Panhellenic delegates also voted to hold Formal Spring 2012 Recruitment on January 8, 9, and 10, 2012. PNM signup will start on October 10, 2011 through the My Campus Director site: https://uca.mycampusdirector.com/. If you have any questions about Panhellenic recruitment, please contact Meagan Davis, Panhellenic Recruitment Director, at meagdavis@hotmail.com.
**Important Council Information**

**IFC**

**IFC Fall Recruitment**

Informal fall recruitment will begin as soon as school starts. During this period, groups are encouraged to meet potential new members that meet the minimum UCA requirements. Here are important fall recruitment dates:

- **Sept. 6** — IFC Info Session
- **Sept. 7** — IFC “Open” Night
- **Sept. 8** — IFC “Open” Night
- **Sept. 9** — IFC Bid Acceptance

Please direct questions to Andrew Reynolds: ucaifcvprecruit@gmail.com.

**IFC Spring 2012 Recruitment**

Recruitment dates have been tentatively set for the spring 2012 semester:

- **Jan. 17** — IFC Info Session (X-Period)
  - IFC “Open” Night
- **Jan. 18** — IFC “Open” Night
- **Jan. 19** — IFC “Open” Night
- **Jan. 20** — IFC “Exclusive” Night
- **Jan. 21** — IFC Bid Acceptance

Event times and locations are yet to be set. If you have any questions, then please direct them to the IFC VP of Recruitment, Andrew Reynolds at ucaifcvprecruit@gmail.com.

**Final IFC Retreat**

Please remember that the final IFC retreat will take place on August 11, 2011. All Executive Board members and delegates are expected to attend this retreat. The retreat is scheduled to start at 10 AM in 207 SC. Please contact the IFC President, Jack Phillips, if you have any questions/concerns (ucaifcprez@gmail.com).

Phired Up productions will be visiting campus on September 11, 2011 to offer workshops on recruitment and social excellence. Please make sure that your recruitment director, new member educator, and at least three to five younger, active members are able to attend the recruitment workshop. These members will learn the steps to proper Dynamic Recruitment and then be expected to teach their entire organization these steps for future recruitment efforts. The social excellence workshop will take the place of the traditional Greek Convocation and requires a minimum of 80 percent of active membership attendance. If organizations do not send the required amount of people and/or individuals do not attend, then either and/or both will be charged for the absence. Here is the schedule of events for the day:

1. **12-3:45** — Dynamic Recruitment, SC Ballroom – IFC, IGC, & NPC groups
2. **4:00-5:15** — NPHC Workshop – NPHC groups
3. **6:30** — Greek Convocation, Reynolds - 80% membership attendance

If you have any questions about Phired Up or their visit to UCA, please visit their website (www.phiredup.com) or contact Scott Isenga at sisenga@uca.edu.

**Undergraduate Wins National Award**

Issac Morales, an undergraduate member of the Alpha Chapter of Phi Lambda Chi fraternity, was recently named Man of the Year by the Phi Lamb Headquarters. Over the past year, Issac served as the President of the Alpha Chapter, VP of Programming for IFC, a representative for UCA Student Government Association, and an Honor’s College student. Issac helped to implement many positive changes within Phi Lamb over the past year that allowed them to win multiple campus awards. In addition, Issac was named an Outstanding Greek Man at UCA this past spring semester for his hard work in and out of the classroom. The Office of Student Life staff is proud of Issac’s amazing accomplishment and his continued service to the UCA campus.
IGC
Council-Building

The Office of Student Life Staff is working on completing a website for IGC in order to increase the visibility of the council and its' organizations on UCA's campus. Pictures from events and organization information and/or descriptions are needed for the new site, so please send them to Scott Isenga (sisenga@uca.edu) or Lindsey Osborne (losborne@uca.edu). This is an exciting step towards helping IGC grow as a council on UCA’s campus.

NPC
Panhellenic Exec Board Election Results

NPC summer retreat recently took place on July 11 in Conway. During this time, the women of NPC met and elected a new executive board for the 2011-2012 academic year. These are the results of the elections:

President — Candice Shuffield
Vice President — Katy Stracener
Secretary/Treasurer — Jessica James
Counselor Director — Kara Norton
Recruitment Director — Meagan Davis
Public Relations Chair — Erin Shoup
Scholarship Chair — Maddie Scarbrough
Philanthropy Chair — Hannah Ray
Social Chair — Madeline Eckart
Historian — Holly Acre

Congratulations to these women on being elected! The Student Life Staff looks forward to the amazing work each of you will accomplish during the 2011-2012 academic year!

If you have any further questions about NPC elections or summer retreat, then please contact Lindsey Osborne at losborne@uca.edu.

Omega Psi Phi Carwash

The men of Beta Delta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., held a carwash to raise money for the Salvation Army on July 23, 2011. The carwash took place in the parking lot of the Auto Zone near Skyline Drive. Some members stood out by the streets with signs that said “free carwash” while others washed in the parking lot. Only donations were accepted for the event and after a day of hard work, the men raised a total of 200 dollars. In addition, the men also collected at least 50 dollars worth of clothing donations from various individuals. The Office of Student Life staff would like to thank the members of the Beta Delta Chapter for their hard work and philanthropic service. Keep up the great work gentlemen!

Greek Summit 2011

Greek Summit is scheduled for August 15-16, 2011 at Ferncliff in Little Rock. IFC and NPC must send their chapter’s President, Vice President, and Social/Risk Management Chair. IGC and NPHC organizations must send their President and Vice President. While at Ferncliff, Greek leadership will review the University's policies regarding Greek life, student organizations, social/risk management, and registering social events. The participants will also be given plenty of time to interact and get to know each other better for the upcoming year. If you have any dates (fall or spring) that the Greek community and/or Student Life Office should know about then please bring those to Greek Summit. A UCA bus will be meeting in the Reynolds/tennis court lot at 2:30 PM on August 15 to pick all representatives up to travel to Ferncliff in Little Rock. Please make sure to dress comfortably and appropriately for the weather. In addition to clothing, all participants need to bring bed linens and towels. A UCA bus will pick everybody up and return home around 3PM on August 16. Please RSVP with the names and contact info for the individuals attending to your council advisor by August 8, 2011. Thanks!
NPHC

Updated Rosters Needed

Please make sure that the most current roster is submitted to the Student Life Office today! Staff members are trying to complete grade reports for the semester and the most accurate membership data is needed. When submitting updated rosters, please use the blank roster form located on the Greek Life Website (http://bit.ly/iOdBy8). If you have any questions, please direct them to Wendy Holbrook at Wendyh@uca.edu.

Student Life Website Changes

Student Life Website changes are expected to be completed and pushed live on August 1, 2011. If your organization has specific information and/or pictures they would like placed on their page of the Student Life website, then please email the information to your council advisor. With the new Wordpress host, information will be easily updated regularly to keep the UCA community apprised with what is happening in the office and across campus. Thank you very much for your help!

Potential Scholarship for Current UCA Student

Lindsey Cason, an undergraduate member of Alpha Sigma Alpha, was asked to help find a student that is involved on campus to be the possible recipient of a two (2) year, $2,500 per semester scholarship. In order to be eligible for this scholarship the student must meet the following criteria: 1.) 3.0+ GPA; 2.) Must be a Junior; 3.) Willing to major in Insurance and Risk Management; and 4.) Must have unmet financial need as determined by UCA financial aid. If you or somebody you know is interested in this great opportunity and/or have questions, please contact Lindsey at Lindseycason@gmail.com or (501)-804-6290.

UCAGreeks Facebook Page

Last week the UCAGreeks Facebook Page was launched and the site already has nearly 200 followers! This page is an upgrade from the old group with enhanced information and large amounts of pictures/videos dating back to at least 2001. This new page will allow active, alumni, and perspective members to communicate and share a common online space celebrating the positive aspects of UCA Greek Life. If you are on Facebook, then be sure to visit the UCAGreeks Facebook page, “like” it, and check out all the amazing content. Who knows, you may even be featured in a picture/video!

August 6-7: Tax-Free Holiday in Arkansas

Due to this occasion, the UCA Bookstore will be open August 6 (10AM-5PM) and August 7 (1PM-5PM). Tax-exempt items include textbooks (rentals and eTextbooks included), supplies, and clothing. Online tax-free orders may be placed between 12:01am, August 6 and 11:59pm, August 7 (uca.bkstore.com). More info about the tax holiday here: http://1.usa.gov/j5cNtM. Enjoy!

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Thanks for reading and have a great July! See you in August!