Important Upcoming Dates

July 4 – Independence Day, Student Life Office Closed
July 5 – Exams for First Summer Session Courses
July 8 – Classes begin for Second Session Summer Courses
July 18-19 – NPHC Exec Board Retreat
August 2 – Bear Den Retreat
August 7 – Greek Advisor Dinner, President’s Dining Room
August 9 – Final Exams for Summer Courses
August 9-10 – Panhellenic Counselor Retreat, Ferncliff and 4-H Center
August 12-13 – Greek Summit, Ferncliff Camp
August 14-16 – SOS Trainings and Meetings
August 16 – Panhellenic Recruitment Director Meeting, 1PM
August 18-21 – UCA Welcome Week
August 18 – UCA Move In Day for New Freshman and Transfer Students
August 19 – Bear Den Stroll Off, 7-9PM, Amphitheater
• Panhellenic Recruitment Event Planning Guide Due
August 21 – Welcome Week Go Greek Info Session, 1-3PM, Ida Waldran
• Conway Daze, 3PM, UCA Practice Fields

Spring 2013 Fraternity/Sorority Grade Report

The grade report for UCA fraternities and sororities is now available online. Overall, our fraternity/sorority community continues to outperform the general, non-affiliated student population at UCA. Our fraternity/sorority community achieved a 3.06 GPA as compared to a general UCA student GPA of 2.80 for the spring 2013 semester. This is a continued testament to the academic excellence in the UCA fraternity/sorority community. If you want to see the full grade report in addition to those from previous semesters, click here. Congratulations to every fraternity and sorority for their outstanding spring 2013 grades! Keep up the great work!

-Scott Isenga

Undergraduates Win National Awards

Ms. Hillary Smith of Delta Zeta has received the Grace Mason Lundy Award for 2012-2013 along with five other women from across the country. This prestigious award is presented by the Delta Zeta National Council to senior members who display loyalty, devotion, and service to their chapter and sorority. Furthermore, this award is given to women who have served as a role model and made major contributions to the overall advancement of their chapters. The award is given in commemoration of Grace Mason Lundy, who served as the Delta Zeta National President, Historian, and other national offices.

Alpha Sigma Alpha National Headquarters awarded Ms. Ashley Ross with the 2012-2013 Outstanding New Member Award. This award is given to one first year member who has made exceptional contributions to her chapter while displaying an excellent spirit and attitude. The award winner must be willing to accept responsibility, work well with other chapter members, and have the potential for taking leadership roles in the chapter and in the national organization once she graduates.

-Submitted by Lindsey Osborne
Important Dates Cont.

**August 21** – Pep Rally, 5PM

**August 22** – Classes Begin for Fall 2013 Semester
- Social Events Policy Training, 4-6PM, COB Auditorium

**August 24** – Fall 2013 Semester Saturday Classes Begin

**August 27** – NPHC Greek Expo
- Pi Chi Training, 6PM
- First Fraternity/Sorority Council Meetings

**August 28** – Greek 101, 4:30-6PM, Doyne Health Science Auditorium
- Panhellenic Recruitment Event, 6PM

**August 29** – UCA Football vs. University of the Incarnate Word, 7PM, Estes Stadium

**August 30-31** – IDEAL Retreat

**September 2** – Labor Day Holiday, Student Life Office Closed

**September 3** – Leadership Launch Registration Begins
- Greek 101, 5:30-7PM, SC 205A/B
- Pi Chi Training, 6PM

**September 4** – Pre-Recruitment Panhellenic Meeting, 6PM, Panhellenic Council, Recruitment Directors, Advisors Must Attend

**September 5** – Greek 101, X-Period, COB Auditorium
- Panhellenic Recruitment Event, 5:30PM

**September 6** – RSO Renewal Due via OrgSync

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

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**UCA Greek Village Committee Visits ASU**

On Friday, June 7, members of the Office of Student Life, Dean of Students, UCA Housing, and Greek Village architect team traveled to Arkansas State University (ASU) to view their new sorority housing project. The purpose of the trip was to learn more about logistics, planning, design, and execution of their project. The UCA team met with members of the ASU Division of Student Affairs staff to view some of the houses and discuss the planning process, areas of concern, and possible plans for the future.

During our tour and subsequent meeting, our team learned a great deal about the ASU project. Currently, ASU is building five on-campus sorority houses in a high traffic area of campus. These five houses look similar to each other with brick and construction, but they each have different porches and rooflines. Each house is two stories, sleeps 20 sorority women in single and double rooms, contains multiple bathrooms shared by four to six women, and has a 1375 square foot chapter room on the backside of the house. Each house utilizes commercial-grade construction and possesses similar interior designs that can be updated with additional funding from individual chapters and/or alumni organizations. These houses are all owned by UCA and rented to organizations.

Our team had a great visit to ASU and we learned a lot about their project and some valuable information to consider as the UCA Greek Village project progresses. The information we gathered and pictures taken by our architect team have been shared with UCA’s Executive Staff. The information will also be shared with the Board of Trustees during their August meeting.

Our staff would like to thank the Division of Student Affairs staff from ASU for their help and hospitality. Keep reading for more updates on this project in the near future!
Important Council Information

IFC

Fall 2013 Recruitment Dates

With the switch to delayed recruitment occurring this fall, recruitment dates have already been set. Please pencil the dates below into your calendar for the fall 2013 semester:

September 15: IFC/IGC House Rotations

September 16-19: IFC/IGC Recruitment Week

September 20: IFC/IGC Bid Day

IGC

Fall 2013 Recruitment Dates

Below are tentative fall 2013 recruitment dates for IGC.

September 10: IGC Council Recruitment Event

September 11-12: Sigma Phi Lambda Recruitment

September 15: IFC/IGC Fraternity House Rotations

September 16: Sigma Phi Lambda Recruitment Event

September 16-19: IFC/IGC Fraternity Recruitment Week

September 20: IFC/IGC Bid Day and Sigma Phi Lambda Bid Day

2013 Greek Summit

Greek Summit will take place August 12-13 at Ferncliff Camp. The President and Vice President from every active, recognized fraternity and sorority are required to attend. Please remember that this is an overnight retreat and participants must bring their own linens, pillows, clothing, towels, and toiletries. If you have questions or presentation topic suggestions, please contact your council advisor.

Student Life Website Updates

Over the summer months, Office of Student Life staff members will be updating their website with new information and media. Each organization is encouraged to submit information about their group to our office to be included on the website. Some organizations have submitted a great deal of information, while others have next to nothing on their page. If your organization would like to add, change, or remove anything posted in your organization-specific area of the website, then please email ucagreeks@gmail.com with the appropriate information. If no information is submitted, then our office will assume that your group would like to maintain the current information for the upcoming academic year.

Greek 101 Update

Greek 101 is being revamped due to the new recruitment policies. The new format will require that every individual interested in joining a fraternity or sorority must attend a Greek 101 session prior to accepting a bid for membership. Multiple sessions will be offered before IFC, IGC, and Panhellenic bid days in the fall and spring semesters. After bid days, at least one session will be offered per month for the remainder of each fall and spring semester. All interested individuals, regardless of their college classification, must attend one session in order to be eligible to accept a bid during that academic year. No exceptions will be granted for the aforementioned guidelines regarding Greek 101 and/or accepting bids. Subjects covered during Greek 101 will include academic success, risk management, and hazing awareness. A full listing of Greek 101 dates are available online. More specific questions can be directed to your council advisor.
Important Council Information

Panhellenic

Fall 2013 Recruitment Registration

Registration for Panhellenic sorority recruitment is now open and interested individuals must register here by September 1, 2013. Below are some frequently asked Panhellenic sorority recruitment registration questions.

1. The cost to register for recruitment is 70 dollars. This fee can be paid in the Office of Student Life (Student Center 207) or online with a credit/debit card. There is an additional five (5) dollar fee for online payments. Online payments will be made following the completion of the registration process.

2. Legacy and/or recommendation paperwork should be mailed directly to the sorority. That information can be found here.

3. All women interested in fall 2013 recruitment must join Panhellenic Council’s portal on OrgSync. Directions for joining the portal are available here.

4. Potential New Members (PNMs) will not be contacted by their Pi Chi until Welcome Week.

5. Additional answers to many common questions can be found here.

Help Needed for Conway Kids Tri

The Conway Kids Tri will be returning to UCA’s campus on August 3, 2013. Last year a number of fraternity and sorority members helped in various volunteer capacities at this event. This year, the volunteer coordinator of the event, Teresa Blumenberg, is hoping that UCA fraternities and sororities would be willing to help again. Teresa is looking primarily for help on August 3 from 7-10:30 AM, so if you and/or other members of your organization are interested, please fill out an online volunteer form. If you would like to learn more information about the event, please click here. Please consider volunteering if you are in the area and would like to help local children.

Updated Fraternity/Sorority Eligibility Requirements

With the move to Delayed Recruitment at UCA, there have been changes made to the minimum University standards to join a fraternity or sorority. These changes were made in consultation with Inter-/National organizations and/or council standards, alumni input, faculty/staff recommendations, and student opinions. From these multiple sources, a new University policy has been reached and will be placed in the 2013-2014 UCA Student Handbook. Please remember that these minimum standards are set by the University and any fraternity/sorority can set a higher standard if they choose. A full explanation of the new minimum standards are listed below and are also available on the Greek life website.

1. Must be enrolled as a full-time student (12 hours)

2. Entering freshmen must have at least a 2.5 high school GPA; current/transfer students must have at least a 2.5 college GPA.

3. Must complete a Greek Life Orientation Session hosted by the Office of Student Life BEFORE participating in the recruitment process or being extended an invitation to membership.

2013 Conway Daze RSO/Department Fair

The 2013 Conway Daze RSO/Department Fair will be held August 21 from 3-5:30PM on the UCA Practice Field. Interested RSOs or Departments must fill out a registration form and return it to Colin Stanton by Friday, August 2, 2013. This is a great first-exposure event for RSOs and Departments, so be sure to sign up today! Have a question? Please contact Colin Stanton.
All Greek Judicial Board Applications

Greek Judicial Board Applications will open be available on OrgSync July 1, 2013. The applications are due by 11:45 PM on September 10, 2013. Please make sure to read all application directions before completing the online form. All application questions must be completed and individuals must schedule an interview time in order to be considered for a position on the Board. If you have any questions about the All Greek Judicial Board or the application process, please contact Lindsey or Scott.

"Tomorrow Belongs To Those Who Prepare For It Today"

The summer months for the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) are all about planning. On June 18, 2013, NPHC executive officers came together for their first meeting as an executive board to begin preparation for the fall semester. Leaders brainstormed goals, ways to improve council programs /events, and methods to improve the fraternity/sorority community for the upcoming academic year. The executive members also identified strategies to make NPHC a more effective council and determined which members were going to lead NPHC initiatives over the next academic year. NPHC has an executive board retreat schedule for July, and a full council retreat scheduled for August 10, 2013. The August 10 retreat will educate council members on their roles and responsibilities as representatives of the NPHC community in addition to finalizing goals and plans for another great school year. The Office of Student Life is looking forward to great things from NPHC during the upcoming year!

-Submitted by Kaylon Bradford