**Important Upcoming Dates**

**October 1-31** – Alcohol and Drug Awareness Month—Student Wellness and Development

**October 2** – Fatal Vision Course, 12:30-2:30PM, Alumni Circle

**October 3** – Homecoming Court Pictures, X-Period, McCastlain Fireplace Room
- “The Truth About Drugs” video, X-Period, SHC 307

**October 5** – UCA Football vs. McNeese State, 3PM, Estes Stadium

**October 7** – Greek 101, 4:30-6:00PM, Doyne Auditorium

**October 9-16** – Homecoming Court Voting via OrgSync

**October 12** – UCA Football vs. Nebraska-Kearney, 3PM, Estes Stadium
- UCA Family Day, Football Practice Field
- UCA Bear Facts Day

**October 14** – Cancer Awareness Program, 11AM-1PM, Cafeteria Entrance

**October 16** – Homecoming Participation Forms Due, Homecoming Court Voting Ends

**October 17-18** – Fall Break, Student Life Office Open

**October 19** – UCA Football vs. Lamar, 6PM, Beaumont, TX
- Race for The Cure, Little Rock

**October 21-26** – Homecoming Week, Full Schedule Here

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**Remembering Jaykwantay “JJ” Girley**

About one year ago, I started an edition of the newsletter with a story of a young graduate student and fraternity alumnus that passed away. Last week, UCA experienced a similar tragedy when Jaykwantay “JJ” Girley unexpectedly died of a cerebral aneurysm in the bathroom of Hughes Hall. When a student passes away, it is never an easy thing, especially on a medium-sized college campus. After JJ's passing, UCA's faculty, staff, and students rallied to show support for his family and friends. A memorial was held last week in the Amphitheater with nearly 500 individuals in attendance, including members of the Conway community. It was a night of emotion, remembrance, and prayer. It was also a night that displayed the incredible sense of community and support that UCA possesses. The memorial showed JJ's family how many lives he touched during his short time at UCA. The Office of Student Life also sends its heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of JJ. If you or anybody you know needs additional help, support, or counseling, please contact the UCA Counseling Center at 501-450-3138.

-Scott Isenga

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**UCA Greek Village Phase One Approved**

The Board of Trustees approved the initial phase of the UCA Greek Village Project on September 24. This initial phase will consist of the construction of five sorority houses and a ten-chapter room community center on Donaghey and Augusta Avenue. The bonding cost of this phase is twelve million dollars which will be funded through UCA reserve funds. On October 11, President Courtway will present finalized plans to the Board of Trustees for an updated Phase One with more definitive layout plans. The hope is that the Board will approve the finalized plan so that initial utility and groundwork for this project can begin in May 2014. The projected completion date for the initial phase of UCA Greek Village is tentatively set for fall 2015. Many updates and potential changes are still yet to come, but after nearly a decade of research, trips, and planning, a Greek Village will be coming to UCA's campus in the near future. If you would like more information about the project, please check out this article from *The Echo*. 

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![UCA Greek Village Phase One Approved](image-url)
**Important Dates Cont.**

**October 22** – Homecoming Banner Competition, Estes Stadium
- Bear Spirit March, 5PM, Amphitheater
- Pep Rally with Court Announced & Fight Song Remix Competition, 7PM, Farris Center

**October 25** – Homecoming Court Rehearsal
- SPBC & NPHC Greek Step Show, 7 -11PM, Farris Center

**October 26** – Homecoming Day
- Homecoming Parade, 11AM
- UCA Football vs. Stephen F. Austin, 3PM, Estes Stadium
- Halftime: Homecoming Queen and Maid of Honor Coronation
- Bear Facts Day

**October 28** – Homecoming Day “DUI: A Powerful Lesson” Mark Sterner, 6:30-8PM, Ida Waldran

**October 30** – Health Career Fair
- Take Back the Nightc

**October 31** – Halloween

**November 1** – Bear Den Executive Board Applications Available

**November 2** – UCA Football vs. Northwestern State, 7PM, Natchitoches, LA

**November 3** – Daylight Savings Time Ends

**November 6** – Fall Career Fair, SC

**November 9** – UCA Football vs. Southeastern LA, 7PM, Estes Stadium

**November 11** – Veteran’s Day

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

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**Fall Recruitment Recap**

Panhellenic formal recruitment took place September 13-15 and IGC fall sorority recruitment took place September 11, 12, and 16. Both recruitment periods went well and each council took amazing women. Prior to recruitment weekend, 58 women accepted bids to join a Panhellenic organization and on formal Bid Day and the open bidding period after recruitment, another 193 women accepted membership bids. In total, 251 have accepted bids to join a Panhellenic organization and some groups will hand out open bids over the remainder of the semester. In the IGC community, fourteen wonderful women joined Sigma Phi Lambda after multiple days of recruitment events.

IFC/IGC fall recruitment has been a huge success thus far. To date, 183 men have accepted bids to join an IFC/IGC fraternity at UCA. This is the largest class of men to join fraternities in a single semester at UCA and 29 more bids accepted than during the spring 2013 semester. There are still plenty of open bids and eligible men remaining, so there will most likely be additions to this number over the rest of the fall 2013 semester.

Congratulations to all of the men and women who accepted bids this semester! It is fantastic to have so many new faces in the UCA fraternity/sorority community and we look forward to all that you have to offer our campus! A full listing of recruitment numbers are available in the Important Council Updates section.

-Submitted by Lindsey Osborne
### Important Council Information

#### IFC

**Fall 2013 Recruitment Totals**

- Kappa Sigma: 46
- Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji): 18
- Phi Sigma Kappa: 10
- Pi Kappa Alpha: 18
- Sigma Nu: 20
- Sigma Phi Epsilon: 28
- Sigma Tau Gamma: 22

**Total Fall 2013 IFC New Member Bids Accepted (10/9/13):** 162

#### IGC

**Fall 2013 Recruitment Totals**

- Beta Upsilon Chi: 24
- Sigma Phi Lambda: 14

**Total Fall 2013 IGC New Member Bids Accepted (10/9/13):** 38

#### Panhellenic

**Fall 2013 Recruitment Totals**

- Alpha Sigma Alpha: 50
- Alpha Sigma Tau: 54
- Delta Zeta: 58
- Sigma Kappa: 49
- Sigma Sigma Sigma: 29

**Total Fall 2013 Panhellenic New Member Bids Accepted (10/9/13):** 240

### 2013 Greek Convocation

The 2013 Greek Convocation took place on September 22 in Reynolds Performance Hall. The special guest speaker this year was nationally renowned speaker, Rick Barnes. Rick presented to approximately 1000 fraternity/sorority members on the topic of hazing. During Rick's presentation entitled, "Hazing: When Will it End?," Rick discussed reasons why hazing is not necessary on a college campus and methods individual organizations can take to stop these behaviors from happening in their groups. Rick presented to students in an honest, straightforward, and humorous manner. Through a combination of real life examples from his times as a student and campus administrator, Rick showed students the reasons that hazing is not an essential portion of any student organization. Rick's presentation also served as the kickoff event for UCA's first year participating in National Hazing Prevention Week. Overall, students enjoyed Rick's presentation and many let us know they not only learned a lot in the presentation, but that they also had a fun time. The Office of Student Life would like to thank Rick for presenting to our fraternity/sorority community and inspiring every student to end hazing at UCA.

### Greek 101 Update

Over the past six weeks, the Office of Student Life has hosted eight Greek 101 sessions for prospective IFC, IGC, and Panhellenic fraternity/sorority members. Over 600 individuals attended these sessions to meet the new educational requirements to join a fraternity/sorority at UCA. Overall, the sessions went well and students informed us that they learned plenty of new information about academics, hazing, and alcohol. Even though formal recruitment periods have concluded, many organizations will be handing out Continuous Open Bids (COBs) throughout the remainder of the fall semester. To accommodate these organizations, Greek 101 will be offered each month throughout the rest of the year. There will be a larger number offered before spring recruitment push, so please encourage interested individuals to attend a session soon! Attendance at Greek 101 satisfies the minimum education requirement for that academic year but not subsequent years. If you have any questions about this, please contact Lindsey or Scott.
Important Council Information

NPHC
NPHC Go Greek Info Night Recap

Hosted by former NPHC Go Greek Info Night took place on September 12 in the UCA Student Center. Nearly 350 men and women attended this informational session to learn more about the NPHC fraternity/sorority community. The evening started with a general presentation about the history of NPHC and the impact each organization has on the UCA and Conway communities. Participants obtained basic information regarding proper methods to learn about NPHC organizations and their intake processes. Once the initial meeting was complete, participants broke up into male/female groups and visited the respective-gendered rooms of each active NPHC organization. This allowed individuals to learn about every group in a controlled and non-evasive manner. The event was a huge success with both students and active NPHC members reporting that they enjoyed the format and presentations. Thank you to all of the individuals who attended and helped to make NPHC Go Greek Info Night a huge success!

All Greek Council
Updated Attendance Policy

The All Greek Council has instituted a new attendance policy for meetings. If a delegate misses one meeting, they will receive a verbal warning, the president of the organization will be contacted after two absences, and the organization will lose its representation on the council after the third unexcused absence. In addition, the organization must send the same delegate to each meeting to maintain consistency. If you have any questions about this, please contact Michelle Kerr, All Greek Council President.

2013 National Hazing Prevention Week

For the first time ever, UCA participated in the nationwide National Hazing Prevention Week (NHPW). This week is a national effort to recognize and educate individuals about the adverse effects of hazing. NHPW events took place across campus from September 22-26 thanks to the efforts of UCA Police, Center for Leadership Development (CLD), UCA Band, UCA Athletics, Office of Student Life, and All Greek Council. The week started with Rick Barnes presenting to approximately 1000 fraternity/sorority members about ending hazing. During X-Period on Tuesday, students visited the amphitheater and pledged not to haze by putting their thumbprint on a “Don’t Haze Me Bro!” banner with paint. Students, faculty, and staff gathered at the UCA Alumni Pavilion on Thursday during X-Period to participate in a hazing awareness walk across campus. Later that evening, students gathered to watch the documentary, “Haze,” which chronicles the hazing and alcohol related death of Gordie Bailey. Overall, the first UCA NHPW was a huge success with plenty of participation from students in various parts of the campus community. Thank you to all of the individuals who helped with and participated in NHPW this year! If you would like to read more about NHPW at UCA, please check out this great Echo article.

Operation Christmas Child

The All Greek Council has voted to participate in Operation Christmas Child this year as a Greek-wide philanthropy. Operation Christmas Child is a philanthropy that collects toys, personal hygiene items, and other random goods to send overseas to third-world countries. On Wednesday, November 6, 2013 from 7-9 PM, the All Greek Council will be holding a collective "box filling" event and all groups are encouraged to attend and participate. With the help of all our fraternities and sororities, we can make a difference in the lives of hundreds of children and families across the globe. For more information about the event, please contact Michelle Kerr, All Greek Council President.
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Kaylon’s New Job

Kaylon Bradford has served as the NPHC Specialist in the Office of Student Life over the past year to ensure that all organizations in the council receive adequate support. Recently, he accepted a new position at UCA as the Associate Director of Diversity and Community for the Office of Diversity and Community (ODC). In this new role, Kaylon will be helping with programming initiatives and advising services through the ODC. In addition to these duties, Kaylon will continue to act as the primary advisor for NPHC. The Office of Student Life would like to congratulate Kaylon on his new position! We would also like to say that we are very happy to still have him assisting with the advising duties for NPHC.

Check out the great unity picture from the 2013 NPHC Week above! NPHC is looking better than ever!