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The Newsletter for Fraternity & Sorority Life @ Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life Attend Conference with 27 Students

Twenty-seven student members of the IUPUI fraternity and sorority community traveled to St. Louis, MO to attend the 2011 AFLV Central Fraternal Leadership and National Black Greek Leadership Conference. Members in attendance represented all three governing councils and 13 of the 14 member organizations present at IUPUI. AFLV Central Fraternal Leadership and National Black Greek Leadership Conferences is the largest fraternal leadership conference in the country and provided the members of the IUPUI fraternity and sorority community in attendance to network with the brothers and sisters from across the country, while also enabling community leaders to hear and discuss the problems faced and strategies utilized by other fraternity and sorority members.

While at AFLV CFL and NBGLC, Fraternity & Sorority Life Graduate Assistant Derrick Tillman-Kelly presented a "Hot Topic" program titled, "We're Culturally-Based... We Don't Recruit?!", which looked at the notion that culturally-based organizations don't actively recruit new members and challenged the nearly 100 participants to redefine recruitment and strategize how to do it more effectively.

Overall, members of the IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life delegation had an amazing and perspective changing experience during the February trip.

Updates from IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life

In what has become normal fashion for IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life, many new things are on the horizon. Beyond doubling previous years' delegations to the AFLV Central Fraternal Leadership and National Black Greek Leadership Conference, IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life is preparing to send ten affiliated students to Camp Restore in New Orleans, Louisiana for a week of service. The trip to New Orleans represents a new partnership between Fraternity & Sorority Life and the Office of Community Service as a part of their Alternative Spring Break Trips program. The trip will be lead by student organizer Christian Lozano and Heather Browning, a member of Lambda Sigma Gamma and the Coordinator for Social Justice Education in the Office of Student Involvement.

IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life is also excited for the first ever Fraternity & Sorority Life End of the Year Awards reception. The FSL Award Reception will showcase the academic and organizational success of various members of the IUPUI fraternity & sorority community. Held on at 6:00p on Saturday, April 16th in Campus Center 450, the reception is open to all members of the IUPUI fraternity & sorority community. Invitations and RSVP information will be provided shortly.

Two additional events being held by the staff of IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life are the joint Association of Fraternity/Sorority Advisors and Association of Student Conduct Administration Drive-In Conference on Friday, June 3rd. This event will be followed on Saturday, June 4th by the 3rd Annual Central Indiana Area Advisors Training. More information will be forthcoming.

Finally, IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life wanted to note an upcoming change in FSL staffing. As you may know, next academic year there will no longer be a Graduate Assistant for Fraternity & Sorority Life, however, the Office of Student Involvement will now have two full-time professionals with responsibility for Fraternity & Sorority Life—an assistant/associate director and coordinator for FSL.

IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life to Recognize International Badge Day

Started by the National Panhellenic Conference in 1997 to honor National Women's History Month and celebrate the history of women's fraternal experiences, International Badge Day provides an opportunity for collegian and alumni alike to proudly wear their fraternal badge.

Join the National Panhellenic Conference and the IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life in wearing your membership badge on Monday, March 7, 2011 for this year's International Badge Day. This year's theme is "Keep Your Fraternal Experience Close to Your Heart."

Member of Affiliated Faculty & Staff Elected in Professional Association

Susan Canady, member of Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity and Associate Director of the Campus Center, is the newly elected Region 9 Regional Director for the Associational of College Unions International. As the ACUI Region 9 Regional Director, Susan will serve as the chief administrator for an association area that includes union professionals at colleges and universities in Illinois and Indiana, exclusive of the metropolitan Chicago area.

Congratulations Susan!

Interested in Life-Health Sciences Internship?

The Life-Health Sciences Internship Program is now accepting applications for the 2011-2012 academic year. We are looking for IUPUI undergraduate students who will be enrolled as sophomores or juniors in the 2011-2012 academic year and holding a minimum overall GPA of 2.5.

For more information about the Internship Program and applying for one of the 50 available spots by March 11th, visit the [LHSI website](#). Questions? Email [Brandi Gilbert](#)!

IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life Upcoming Events | Mark Your Calendars

Next FSL Council of Presidents' Meetings

Thursday, March 3rd | CE 310 | 5:00p

Thursday, April 7th | CE 310 | 5:00p

Fraternity & Sorority Life Advisory Board Meetings

Tuesday, April 12th | 10:00a | CE Boardroom

FSL Affiliated Faculty & Staff Luncheon

Tuesday, March 1st | 12:10p-1:00p | CE 405

FSL New Member Orientation

Saturday, April 2nd | 9:00a-1:00p | CE 409

FSL End of Year Awards Reception

Saturday, April 16th | 6:00p | CE 450A&B

Founders Days



Phi Mu Fraternity will celebrate its 159th Founders Day on Friday, March 4th. Phi Mu was founded as the Philomathean Society at Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia in 1852. Be sure to wish "The Faithful Sisters" of the Rho Alpha Chapter a Happy Founders Day!



Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity will celebrate its 155th Founders Day on Wednesday, March 9th. Sigma Alpha Epsilon was founded at the University of Alabama in 1856. Be sure to wish "The True Gentlemen" of the Indiana Iota-Pi Chapter a Happy Founders Day!



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