

# THE MERCURY

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

**W**elcome back IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life!

As the signs of summer pass with cooler temperatures, the days growing shorter and parking increasingly difficult to find we're all brought together for another academic year at IUPUI. Entering our third year as a functional area within the Division of Student Life, our outlook is gleaming in front of us.

Already, we've held our second annual Central Indiana Fraternity & Sorority Advisors Training, our first ever council officer leadership retreat and had a strong turnout for housing move-in and the 2010 Involvement Expo. We're currently putting the finishing touches on our third annual Meet & Greek and the 2010 NPHC Yard Show with some of our larger and more prominent events still to come throughout the month of September.

The success and recognition we've reached in just two short years would not have been possible without the tireless support and involvement of our affiliated faculty and staff, allies and dynamic chapter advisors. We will never be able to say thank you enough for your time, talent and energy you give on an ongoing basis.

As we embark upon what is looking to be one of our strongest and most flourishing years to date, be sure to keep up to date with the latest on IUPUI Fraternity and Sorority Life by following us on the various social networking tools mentioned in this news letter. I wish everyone the best of luck with the upcoming year and look forward to the many conversations, programs and experiences we will share.

Interfraternally,

**Thomas Whitcher**

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## Administrative Updates for IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life

There are a few changes to note in IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life. When you enter the Office of Student Involvement, you will no longer see Fraternity & Sorority Life written on the window of the Fraternity & Sorority Life Office. This is because Thomas and Derrick no longer share that office, but are still located in the Office of Student Involvement suite (CE 370). Thomas is located right across from the entrance to the MPC (CE 387); while Derrick is now located in the OSI workroom (CE 360) also known as the **Grad Pad**.

Additionally, the three governing councils and Order of Omega now have desk space within the Office of Student Involvement. The council/Order desk space is located right outside of Thomas' new office.

Finally, there are some changes in who advises whom. Derrick will be primary advisor for the Panhellenic Council (PHC) and Order of Omega, while Thomas will primarily advise the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC).

## Changes with *The Mercury*

In its third year of production, *The Mercury*, will see some changes to layout and content. In an effort to make the newsletter more inclusive of the good work of all those involved in the fraternity and sorority experience as well as a source of information for members of each council, the content of the newsletter will feature an update section from each of the three governing councils (IFC, NPHC and PHC) on the lower half of the first page. Additionally, the upper half of the first page will include a Fraternity & Sorority Life feature article highlighting the work a member (or members) of the IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Community.

The second page will continue to feature upcoming events related to Fraternity & Sorority Life, but with a little less detail than previously, so be sure to check the [Fraternity & Sorority Life calendar](#) online for full details.

Send questions, comments or suggestions regarding *The Mercury* to FSL Graduate Assistant [Derrick Tillman-Kelly](#).

## Members of the IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Community are Recognized

Current affiliated students as well as affiliated faculty/staff have recently been recognized for their good work both within and external to the fraternal movement. Three examples of the involvement of the affiliated students, faculty and staff of the IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority community can be seen below.

**Christian Lozano**, member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity and a sophomore business marketing major, was honored as the Emerging Alumni Undergraduate at the 10th anniversary celebration of IU Latino Alumni Association.

**Andrea Anderson**, Director of Communications & Development and member of Phi Mu Fraternity, was recently appointed as the National Collegiate Extension Director for the Fraternity. The appointment of Anderson as Extension Director speaks to her commitment to the fraternal experience well after her undergraduate days.

**Jacqueline Blackwell**, Associate Professor in the IU School of Education—Indianapolis and member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was honored with the Patty Smith Hill Award, highest award given by the Association of Childhood Education International (ACEI), in recognition of her achievements in the profession and to the organization.

Membership in a fraternity or sorority takes the form of a lifetime pledge of involvement; involvement while in college, to the organization, within the professional world and the larger community. The recognition of Lozano, Anderson and Blackwell exemplifies how members of the IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Community remain commitment to the values of IUPUI Fraternity & Sorority Life: *Scholarship, Service, Unity, Honor, Leadership.*

***Congratulations Jaguars!***

## Fraternity & Sorority Life Events ~ Mark Your Calendars ~

### ***Meet & Greek***

Tuesday, August 31st, 10:00a-2:00p, UC Courtyard

### ***NPHC Yard Show***

Tuesday, August 31st, 4:00p –5:30p, UC Courtyard

### ***Dispelling Greek Stereotypes***

Wednesday, September 1st, 6:00p, CE 409

### ***FSL Council of Presidents Meeting***

Thursday, September 2nd, 5:00p, CE 310

### ***Intent to have intake/Recruitment Paperwork***

**DUE Friday, September 3rd, 5:00pm**

### ***Interfraternity Council Recruitment***

September 7th-9th, Campus Center

### ***Panhellenic Council Recruitment***

Information Sessions— September 8th & 9th  
Recruitment—September 17th-19th, CE 4th floor  
Bid Distribution—Monday, September 20th, OSI

### ***Zeta Tau Alpha Comes to Campus***

Wednesday, September 22nd marks the first day of campus publicity for Zeta Tau Alpha.

### ***FSL New Member Orientation***

Saturday, November 6th, 9:00a-1:00p, CE 409

Be sure to check out the [FSL Calendar](#) for more details!

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