



Omega Chapter

The Omega of Psi Upsilon Spring 2010 Newsletter

INTERFRATERNITY SING 2010

The Interfraternity Sing will be held on Saturday evening June 5, 2010. There will be a BBQ with cocktails at the chapter house (5639 S. University) beginning at 6:00 PM. The Sing will follow in Hutchinson Commons at 8:00 PM. There will also be a party at the house after the Sing. Bring your family and your best singing voice! ΨΥ

PSI U INVADES THE WHITE HOUSE!

By Calle Loof (2008)



Above – the Brothers hanging out at the White House

At a time when we thank Supreme Court Justice and Brother John Paul Stevens, for a distinguished career in public service, we also celebrate the recent reunion of fifteen Psi Upsilon brothers from the classes of 2007 to 2009.

The weekend titled “Psi U Invades DC”, was the kind arrangement of former Archon, Rico Gardaphe (2008). Through his work in the service of President Obama, Rico was able to secure for an evening of fun and fraternity at the Truman Bowling Alley, an unassuming nook deep in the West Wing. Spending the evening in the White House recreational room was a rare treat,

which will be cherished in the memories of all in attendance: Joshua Hostetter, Timmy Richards, Calle Loof, Rico Gardaphe, Kabir Iyengar, James Dagonas, Ben Gerdes, Sam Haddaway, Daru Page-Tilahun, Alex Chinceo, Jacob Cogan, Matt McCrea, Nicholas G. Rodman, Vuk Taljian, and Phil Caruso who also deserves a hearty congratulations due to his recent engagement to Kaitlin Ainsworth of Portland, Maine.

In this economy, it is good to know that while our markets are still in the dumps, our Fraternity is rich in friendship and just as vibrant as when we occupied that owl-goyle adorned mansion at 5639 S. University Ave. **ΨΥ**

DENNIS WALDON IS PRESIDENT OF GRADUATE ORDER OF THE C

Dennis Waldon (1969) has recently been elected president of the University of Chicago athletic graduate order of the C. This is the second time that Dennis has served in this capacity. Dennis was a star on the University's basketball team. In addition to being a partner in his own law firm, Lavin and Waldon, Dennis serves as an Omega Chapter trustee and is our general counsel.



Dennis follows in the footsteps of Brother John Davey (1958) who also served as president of the Order of the C. The Order was founded in 1906 by Psi U brother Amos Alonzo Stagg. **ΨΥ**

PASSING OF TWO GREAT OMEGAS

We have received word that two great Omegas, Lawrence (Larry) Lee (1946) and Ashton (Ash) Krug (1950) have passed.

Brother Lee was elected to the Order of the Coif at the University of Chicago Law School. For many years he was a senior vice president and general counsel of Abbott Laboratories. He was a trustee of Lake Forest College and held many other civic and charitable positions.

Brother Krug graduated from the University of Chicago School of Business with an MBA. He worked for IBM for 35 years holding a number of senior positions. He was also very active in church work. While he was at the University of Chicago he often served as babysitter for Alderman Leon Depres' children.

They will both be missed. **ΨΥ**

HOUSE REPORT

By Jan Stefanski (2012)

A new high tech video camera system has been installed around the house. There are a total of four cameras. There are two cameras overlooking the front yard and front door, and two in the back that overlook the parking and back door. All the video imaging can be viewed from the house library on a computer. The new bathrooms have been wonderful and all the brothers love them very much. A new lamb roasting device was purchased by Brother Werner and will hopefully be used soon. (And again hopefully at Interfraternity Sing on Saturday, June 5) With the warm weather brothers have been hanging out on the sun porch more, as well as in the front yard barbequing and enjoying springtime in Chicago. **ΨΥ**

PHILANTHROPY REPORT

By Ian Morey (2013)

The Omega Chapter of Psi Upsilon has had a very productive winter quarter in terms of its philanthropic endeavors. After a fundraiser on February 1st, our contributions to the Haiti Relief fund totaled \$650 and numerous articles of donated clothing. Moreover, this financial success is also to be considered an achievement for the image of Psi Upsilon around campus. The fundraisers for Haiti cited our name and donation, and motivated the University Hospital system to match and double our contribution.

Another notable event in our philanthropic calendar was Papa's Pancakes. Headed by our Archon, Brother Joe Walsh (2011), the Omega Chapter raised \$550 from the event. This sum was given to the Global Brigades – a student led organization present in 110 universities, dedicated to health and economic development in Honduras. This too, projected a positive image of Psi Upsilon throughout the university.

Lastly, our chapter has pledged \$200 to Dance Marathon. Students raise money and dance for twelve hours in this annual event for Pediatric AIDS. Whether it is around campus, in the hospitals or even in Honduras and Haiti, the Omega Chapter of Psi Upsilon is making a difference. In conclusion, we are proud of our accomplishments in the winter, but we are even more excited for the philanthropy being planned for spring. ΨΥ

RUSH AND PLEDGE REPORT

By Omar Massoud (2012)

The Omega Chapter of Psi Upsilon had a very successful year in regards to rushing prospective brothers. Rush chairs Hiro Sato and Wesley Rosamilia organized events and dinners in the winter to meet prospective brothers and eventually offer them bids. A total of eleven individuals were added to the brotherhood on March 11th, 2010. The winter class exemplified Psi U in its diversity with new brothers from Maine, Texas, California, Florida, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, and an international student from Mexico. Their addition to the brotherhood demonstrates the successes Psi Upsilon has been having in terms of rushing prospective brothers.

The beginning of our spring quarter saw the election of two new rush chairs, Omar Massoud and Jacob Keteyian, to finalize the upcoming spring pledge class. They were able to successfully assemble a group of five unique and diverse individuals. These prospective brothers come from Oregon, Nevada, Virginia, Washington D.C., and another international student from India. The spring process has begun and we anticipate the addition of these brothers by the beginning of June.

Overall the Omega Chapter of Psi Upsilon has had its numbers increase in a very positive direction. Not only are these numbers substantial, but each individual is chosen on a completely unanimous basis which ensures only the most well rounded are admitted. Our successes in rush reflect our chapter's dedication to making sure its brotherhood maintains the high standards we have set for it. ΨΥ

SOCIAL REPORT

By Mark Bonner (2011)

The past few months have been very exciting around the Omega house. The brothers are very active in the social sphere on campus, and truly enjoy spending time with each other. We have had a number of social events recently including a party for Haiti relief, an American Gladiators mixer, and our annual Superheroes party.

With the warmer weather on its way, we all look forward to spending time out on the sun porch and having bonfire nights out on the front lawn. Some upcoming events include a trip to the Chicago Bulls playoff game, our annual lamb roast, and of course Interfraternity SING on Saturday, June 5. We hope to see you there! ΨΥ

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Mike Jurkash 1982	Jacques Ulvert
Norm Mason 1950	Dennis Waldon 1969
Dennis McNamara 1976	Rolfe Winkler 2002
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A great big THANK YOU to everyone who supports the Omega! The Next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 19th at 7pm at the Chapter House**. Please feel free to attend this meeting, or contact the Board (via the Trustee email listed below) if you wish to volunteer to serve on the Board. ΨΥ

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